

Attached please find the following information regarding Texas Ranger Homicide Task Force and serial killer Henry Lee Lucas. The Task Force was established in 1983 to coordinate interviews and a venue for homicide investigators throughout the United States. Approximately 1,000 officers interviewed Lucas until it was disbanded in 1986. The role of the Task Force was to coordinate interviews and not to investigate.

The documents attached relate to examples of a small portion of the role of the Task Force including several letters from law enforcement officers.

1. Dianna Lynn Underwood, Baytown, Texas

- a. The Houston Chronicle article, dated 6/13/20, stated that the Texas Ranger Task Force withheld information from the Baytown PD regarding Henry Lee Lucas. However, documentation was sent to Baytown PD, including a letter showing the conflict regarding Henry Lee Lucas' whereabouts on the date of the homicide.

That letter was dated 5/16/85. (see attached letter and documentation)

- 2. Attorney General Information
- 3. Sarita Hughes, Milford Delaware
- 4. Stella McLean, Gering Nebraska
- 5. Louis Wagner, Covington Parrish, Louisiana
- 6. Carol Ann Lane, between Oceanview, North Carolina and Norfolk, Virginia
- 7. Janet Callies, Grand Island, Nebraska
- 8. Mazie Lee Seymore, Seminole County, Georgia
- 9. Unknown victim, Livingston County, New York
- 10. Donaver P. Hanna, Arlington, Texas
- 11. Roy Wayne Hallmark, Galveston County, Texas
- 12. Bernice H. Harris, Elmore County, Alabama
- 13. Beth Umolac, Ozaudee County, Wisconsin
- 14. Unknown victim, Tonopah, Nevada
- 15. May Kaufman, Tulsa, Oklahoma
- 16. Gloria Stepan, Conroe, Texas
- 17. Response to information attacking credibility of the Task Force
- 18. Clemmie Curtis (police officer), Cabell County, West Virginia

CONFESSIONS

INFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

6/23 #116
Dianna Lynn Underwood
Baytown, TX
W/F/32
Robbery/Homicide;
shot three(3) times
in neck.

Lucas sold 880 pounds of scrap
metal in Jacksonville, FL.
Comment: Homicide information
from Task Force Calendar.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #157

CONFLICT:

No clear-cut conflict. Commercial Metals record #132527 indicates Lucas sold scrap metal on 6-23-81, however, this date is not clearly legible and has been handwritten on the weight ticket, apparently by personnel from Commercial Metals. The fact that the number is 132527 and is out of sequence with 132582, which was issued on 6-21-81, would also tend to destroy credibility of this particular date.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 157A Task Force Synopsis
- 157B Commercial Metal records dated 6-21-81 and 6-23-81
- 157C Jacksonville, Florida S.O. listing by date of Commercial Metals transactions by Lucas and Frank Powell and Freida Powell
- 157D Letter dated May 16, 1985 notifying investigating agency of metal records

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#116 Date: 6-23-81 Location: Baytown, Texas
 Victim: Diana Lynn Underwood, w/f, 32

Victim was lone attendant at 7-11 convenience store. On 6-23-81, approximately 3:30 a.m., victim was found deceased, laying fully clothed, shot 3 times in the head and neck area with a .38 caliber weapon. Approximately \$25.00 from the cash register and an unknown amount in rolled coins had been taken from the business.

On 5-9-84, Lucas directed officers to location of business and stated at that location he committed the offense. He was then taken inside where he noted the differences in the layout of the store at the present time from layout of store when offense occurred.

Lucas stated that he, Ottis Toole, and Becky Powell were driving a 1968 green Ford Station Wagon with Maryland license plates and that they drove to the front of the business to purchase gas. A tank full was obtained, then while others remained in vehicle, Lucas stated he walked inside, robbed victim, taking approximately \$25.00 and roll of coins, stated he shot victim several times in head area causing her death. (Toole possibly not present at this offense.)

Offense cleared by P.J Kuehn, Detective, Baytown Police Department.



Commercial Metals Company Florida Division

P. O. Box 6956 Zip 32205
Jacksonville, Florida

2038 N. Lane Avenue
904-786-2771

LBS. GROSS

LBS. TARE

LBS. NET

NUMERICAL

CUSTOMER

ADDRESS

MATERIAL

H. LUCAS

1UNP- CAST

880

NET. LBS. @

225

132527

PER CWT 1980
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE GOOD RIGHT & TITLE TO
THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE WHICH IS HEREBY SOLD.

X Henry Lucas
SIGNATURE

VERIFIED BY	A.R.	DRIVER	
		ON	OFF
WEIGHER	CHECK NO.	PAID BY	
<i>(Signature)</i>	099	CHECK	CASH
CASHIER	REMARKS		
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H. LUCAS

CAST-TIN-STEEL (UNP)

580

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132582

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE GOOD RIGHT & TITLE TO
THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE WHICH IS HEREBY SOLD.

X Henry Lucas
SIGNATURE

VERIFIED BY	A.R.	DRIVER	
		ON	OFF
WEIGHER	CHECK NO.	PAID BY	
<i>(Signature)</i>	131	CHECK	CASH
CASHIER	REMARKS		
<i>11</i>			

The following information was received from the records of Commerical Metals regarding purchases made by their company from Henry Lee Lucas.

<u>DATES</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>ITEMS</u>	<u>INVOICE NUMBERS</u>
04/02/80	1:10 p.m. - 1:24 p.m.	Cast Iron	336323
04/03/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Lead	123720
04/04/80	Unknown	Aluminum	123796
04/07/80	Unknown	Steel	
04/08/80	Unknown	Aluminum	123952
04/11/80	Unknown	Cast Iron	
04/14/80	Unknown	Aluminum	124421
04/18/80	Unknown	Aluminum	124695
05/05/80	1:16 p.m. - 1:23 p.m.	Steel/Cast Iron	
05/19/80	1:48 p.m. - 1:58 p.m.	Steel	
05/20/80	1:44 p.m. - 1:58 p.m.	Tin	
06/04/80	Unknown	Pot Metal/Aluminum	127662
06/05/80	Unknown	Copper	127749
06/20/80	9:58 p.m. - 10:09 p.m.	Tin/Steel	
06/23/80	Unknown	Aluminum	128850
06/27/80	4:06 p.m. - 4:14 p.m.	Cast Iron	
07/01/80	Unknown	Auto	116105
07/02/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	116584
07/11/80	Unknown	Copper	129906
07/11/80	Unknown	Lead/Aluminum	129964
07/14/80	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum	130020
07/15/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	116584
07/16/80	Unknown	Brass/Aluminum	130177
07/17/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	116694
07/18/80	Unknown	Brass/Aluminum	130382
07/21/80	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum	130462
07/22/80	Unknown	Aluminum	130563
07/23/80	Unknown	Copper	130610
07/28/80	Unknown	Aluminum	130866
07/30/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	117161
07/31/80	Unknown	Aluminum Cans	131197
07/31/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	117236

08/01/80	Unknown	Aluminum	131260
08/11/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass	131736
08/11/80	(Frank Powell)	Aluminum/Copper	131737
08/12/80	Unknown	Steel/Cast Iron	117698
08/13/80	(Freida Powell)	Aluminum	131965
08/14/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	117787
08/15/80	(Freida Powell)	Aluminum	132119
08/18/80	(Freida Powell)	Brass/Cans/Aluminum	132209
08/22/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	118205
08/25/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Metal/Batteries	132692
08/26/80	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum	132789
08/28/80	Unknown	Aluminum	132945
09/02/80	Unknown	Aluminum	133098
09/05/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Metal	133410
09/10/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Copper	133702
09/15/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Stainless Steel	133912
09/19/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Stainless Steel	134260
09/25/80	Unknown	Copper	134690
09/26/80	Unknown	Aluminum	134713
09/30/80	Unknown	Aluminum	134998
10/06/80	1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Tin/Steel	120299
10/21/80	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum	136337
11/24/80	Unknown	Copper	138519
12/09/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Copper/Lead	139495
12/23/80	Unknown	Copper	141372
12/23/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	124581
12/24/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	124612
12/29/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	124737
12/30/80	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass/Copper	140273
12/30/80	Unknown	Tin/Steel	124814
01/02/81	Unknown	Cast Iron	124932
01/05/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	125003
01/07/81	Unknown	Unknown	125114
01/08/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	125187
02/01/81	Unknown	Brass/Lead/Aluminum	143981
02/18/81	10:01 a.m. - 10:16 a.m.		127345

02/20/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Radiator	144198
02/??/81	Unknown	Batteries	144651
02/23/81	1:17 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Tin/Steel	127560
02/27/81	1:56 p.m. - 2:08 p.m.	Tin/Steel	127828
02/28/81	3:50 p.m. - 3:57 p.m.	Tin/Steel	127867
03/03/81	8:06 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.	Cast Iron	127931
03/04/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass	144867
03/05/81	1:26 p.m. - 1:43 p.m.	Tin/Steel	128079
03/09/81	1:10 p.m. - 1:22 p.m.	Cast Iron	128213
03/09/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass	145127
03/11/81	1:03 p.m. - 1:08 p.m.	Tin/Steel	128345
03/13/81	1:04 p.m. - 1:18 p.m.	Tin/Steel	128476
03/16/81	1:31 p.m. - 1:41 p.m.	Cast Iron	128564
03/19/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	128748
03/19/81	Unknown	Aluminum	145796
03/23/81	Unknown	Cast Iron	128912
03/25/81	Unknown	Aluminum	146125
03/26/81	2:12 p.m. - 3:28 p.m.		129065
03/26/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass/Copper	146200
03/27/81	1:18 p.m. - 1:29 p.m.	Tin/Steel	129117
03/27/81	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum/Zinc	146281
03/30/81	Unknown	Aluminum	146410
03/30/81	3:27 p.m. - 3:34 p.m.		129124
03/31/81	3:14 p.m. - 3:21 p.m.	Tin/Steel	129245
04/10/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Metal	147150
04/15/81	Unknown	Copper	147463
04/16/81	Unknown	Batteries/Brass/Aluminum	147572
04/16/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	129887
04/17/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	129991
05/20/81	Unknown	Copper/Aluminum/Lead	01770
05/20/81	Unknown	Steel	131261
05/20/81	Unknown	Steel	130808
05/22/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass/Radiator	01945
05/26/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Brass	02117
05/26/81	Unknown	Steel	131362
05/26/81	Unknown	Cast Iron	131441

05/26/81	Unknown	Steel	131566
05/27/81	Unknown	Aluminum/Batteries	02270
05/27/81	Unknown	Cast Iron	131516
05/29/81	Unknown	Copper/Metal/Aluminum	02483
05/29/81	Unknown	Steel	131640
06/21/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	132582
06/23/81	Unknown	Cast Iron	132527
06/24/81	Unknown	Copper	04231
06/24/81	Unknown	Aluminum	04308
06/25/81	Unknown	Tin/Steel	132630
06/26/81	Unknown	Unknown	132673
06/26/81	Unknown	Brass/Copper/Aluminum	04505

Det. P.J Kuehn
Baytown Police Department
3200 N.Main
Baytown, Texas 77521

RE: Diana Lynn Underwood

Dear Sir:

Reference our telephone conversation dated May 16, 1985, concerning the possible sale of scrap metal by Henry L. Lucas to Commercial Metals Company in Jacksonville, Florida.

Please find attach, a copy of the sales receipt concerning the time in question.

Yours truly,

W.A.W.
Walter A. (508) Werner
Asst Chief, Criminal Law Enforcement
Texas Department of Public Safety
312 N. Main St.
Lucas Task Force
Georgetown, Texas 78646

School records also mailed this date
WAW

Complete

A copy of the attached letter was sent to the following list of law enforcement agencies on May 16, 1985, regarding the sale of scrap metal by Henry L. Lucas to Commercial Metals Company in Jacksonville, Fla.

<u>VICTIM</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SYNOPSIS #</u>	<u>AUTHORITY</u>
Mezo/Flores (NOTE: Hobson made personal visit to Commercial Metals Co.)	5-17/18-80	152/153	Dep. Larry Hobson, San Luis Obispo Co. Ca.
Wright	7-28-80	214	SAC R.F. Ingram, Georgia Bureau of Investigation
Wilkerson	3-4-81	67	M. Wright, Texas Ranger
Montoya	3-5-81	148	J. Peters, Texas Ranger
Luttrell	3-12/13-81	16	Sgt. R. Hurst, Odessa PD, TX
Kaiser	5-29-81	202	Lt. V. Lamia, Jefferson Parish
Underwood	6-23-81	116	Det. P.J. Kuehn, Baytown, PD, Tx

Essay: When Texas Rangers hid evidence in Baytown murder, a killer walked free

By Doug J. Swanson June 12, 2020 Updated: June 13, 2020 3:51 p.m



Baytown police reopened a murder case after author Doug Swanson found hidden Texas Rangers evidence. The following is an excerpt from "Cult of Glory: The Bold and Brutal History of the Texas Rangers," published by Viking.

Around 3 in the morning on June 23, 1981, someone walked into a 7-Eleven in Baytown, at McKinney Road and Alexander Drive, and shot the clerk — a young woman — in the face at close range. Diana Lynn Underwood, 23, fell to the floor behind the counter and died.

This was no robbery. "The cash register was not opened," a police investigator told the Baytown Sun. "We don't know of one single thing that was touched in the store." Police had no motive, no suspects and no breaks in the case until 1984, when none other than Henry Lee Lucas admitted to the crime.

Lucas was at that point establishing his reputation as the greatest serial killer in American history. In the custody of the Texas Rangers, he confessed to slaughtering hundreds of men and women in random and brutal fashion across the United States.

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As we now know, it was a grand hoax — one perpetrated with the unwitting, if eager, assistance of dozens of police agencies. But the fraud went far deeper, and was far more scandalous, than anyone admitted at the time.

Diana Lynn Underwood's case, and some records stored deep in the state archives, ultimately proved that.

A fifth-grade dropout with an IQ of 87, Lucas drifted into North Texas in the 1980s with his live-in companion, Frieda "Becky" Powell. He was 45. She had just turned 15.

Lucas had grown up in a filthy shack near Blacksburg, Va. His father, a legless illiterate, found occasional work selling moonshine. His mother, a snuff-dipping prostitute, turned tricks at home while he watched.

Young Lucas lost an eye in a childhood accident. Youthful burglaries put him in a Virginia state reformatory. As an adult, he did a seven-year prison stretch for killing his mother. Prison doctors diagnosed him as a severe schizophrenic.

After arriving in Texas, Lucas did odd jobs for an 82-year-old woman, who soon disappeared. Young Becky Powell vanished, too. Arrested for their murders, Lucas then claimed he had killed 77 people in 13 states.

This got the attention of Williamson County Sheriff Jim Boutwell, who brought Lucas to Georgetown. There, Lucas confessed to killing a woman known to police only as Orange Socks after the few shreds of clothing she wore when her body had been found in 1979 along I-35. "That is the one I killed," Lucas said when he saw a photo of her corpse, "and there ain't no doubt about it."

He began to admit to even more murders, and in so doing, Lucas found himself on the road to criminal superstardom. He emerged as a specter from the American heart of darkness who roamed from state to state, picking his victims by chance and dispatching them with gleeful ease. This was Jack the Ripper with car keys and a road atlas.

Worse, there were two of these master fiends. For many of these crimes, Lucas said, he had a sidekick and traveling companion, a hulking bi-sexual pyromaniac named Ottis Elwood Toole. The pair operated, in Lucas' telling, as homicidal Renaissance men. "We cut 'em up," he said. "We ran 'em down in cars. We stabbed 'em. We beat 'em. We drowned 'em. There's crucification. There's people we filleted like fish. There's people we burnt. We strangled 'em. We even stabbed them when we strangled them."

Naturally, police from around the nation wanted to speak with Lucas, in hopes of clearing unsolved murders. Sheriff Boutwell, who had been a Texas Ranger in the 1950s, sought help from Col. Jim Adams, the director of the Texas Department of Public Safety. Adams gave him the full-time services of two Rangers to operate the Henry Lee Lucas Homicide Task Force.

Investigators from across the country traveled to Georgetown to talk to Lucas. The Rangers also flew with him to California, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana and other jurisdictions.

Police were struck by the way Lucas could, even years after an incident, summon minute details: the color of a victim's hair, for example, and the dress she wore, or the look on her face, and the way he killed her.

In 1982 alone, he said, he murdered 35 people. And while committing one savage, random homicide after another, he somehow never left a single piece of evidence — not a hair nor a fiber, fingerprint or drop of blood. He drove to crime scenes, often in remote wooded areas, but police never found a tire track to match. No weapon had been recovered. No witnesses had seen him leaving the sites of his butcheries. He established no pattern.

Admitting to a vast catalog of unsolved murders had its advantages. Lucas occupied his own individual cell at the county jail with carpet on the floor. He wore civilian clothes. He watched cable shows on his private color television,

complete with remote control. His supply of milk shakes and Pall Mals never ran low. All Lucas had to do was keep the confessions coming.

The grand Lucas tours also meant celebrity status for the Rangers who traveled with him. They were welcomed as law enforcement royalty, and were showered with gifts and proclamations.

Ultimately, with the task force's coordination, police agencies in 26 states closed the books on 229 murders. Almost none of them advanced to the trial stage, though the Orange Socks case did go to court. On the strength of his confession, Lucas was found guilty and sentenced to die.

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Then it all collapsed. In April 1985, the *Dallas Times Herald* said Lucas "may be the perpetrator of the largest hoax in law enforcement annals."

By meticulously cross-checking Lucas's confessions with his court documents, work papers, rental receipts, jail rosters and other records, reporters found that Lucas probably did not commit more than three murders — that of his mother, his common-law wife and the old woman for whom he had worked.

As for the hundreds of others to which he admitted, Lucas simply could not have been where they occurred when they were committed.

About the same time, District Attorney Vic Feazell of Waco decided to investigate the Lucas task force. Feazell brought Lucas before the grand jury, which heard some alarming testimony about the Rangers' techniques. Lucas testified he was allowed to review case files before he confessed. "I go through them," he said. "I read this one. I read that one."

Armed with foreknowledge, Lucas could direct police to the scenes of murders by simply picking up cues. It wasn't all that difficult when detectives drove him past a house several times, slowed the car and asked, "Henry, does anything look familiar?" On one case, he said, police flew him over the crime locale in a helicopter. "So I said, 'Yeah, down there is the scene where the...case was,' and so I could be pointing a mile away, and it wouldn't make no difference."

A 1986 report by Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox found “numerous discrepancies between Lucas’ confessions and obtainable evidence regarding his whereabouts,” and substantial evidence that officials had cleared cases simply to take them off the books.

With that, the Rangers quietly folded their task force and shipped Lucas to death row, where he could await execution for the murder of Orange Socks.

But in 1998, Gov. George W. Bush commuted the sentence to life in prison. Lucas died of natural causes in 2001 at the age of 64. No family members claimed the body, so his white coffin was borne by six inmate pallbearers to the cemetery for indigent prisoners.

He might have been much more than a nobody buried in a state potters’ field, if only the facts had not intervened. “Henry once said, ‘I was as famous as Elvis,’” Vic Feazell remembered. “He said, ‘If they had just let me keep confessing, I would’ve had more murders than Hitler.’”

A number of pending court cases against Lucas were dropped in the ensuing years. Police quietly re-opened some of the investigations — though not all. In Chambers County, the 1980 murder of Betty Choate is still attributed to Lucas, though the attorney general’s report determined he was in Florida at the time.

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In the mid-1980s, when the Lucas extravaganza initially fractured, the Rangers dismissed any criticism of them as unfair. It was not their job, they said, to document Lucas’ actual whereabouts when the crimes in question occurred. “We didn’t feel like that was our responsibility,” said Ranger Bob Prince, head of the task force. They had served as a mere conduit of information, he said, a clearinghouse.

But to accept that, one must ignore the hidden files.

In 2008 DPS shipped some of its inactive internal records to the state archives. Among them were Lucas case papers. At the Texas State Library, no one but archivists touched these Lucas documents for most of a decade.

I examined the records while doing research for a history of the Rangers published this month. They show that contrary to what the Rangers had said, they did indeed try to track Lucas' itinerary. Four black binders contain an eight-year, day-by-day log of Lucas' whereabouts, and the murders to which he confessed. It is a catalog of wild time-space impossibilities, echoing the findings of newspaper stories and the attorney general's report. The Rangers never acknowledged this publicly.

The real bombshell, however, can be found in the Underwood case papers.

Lucas never stood trial for the Baytown murder, but the department closed the case. The attorney general's report noted that Lucas was believed to be in Florida at the time of the killing, but Baytown police were not swayed. "Our case against Lucas is closed and will remain closed," Baytown police chief W.A. Henscey said in 1986. "We feel that he did it."

Henscey, now 86 and retired, said last month he had nothing to add. "I would rather not comment on this old case," he wrote in an email.

To his credit, Henscey could not have known at the time in 1986 that the Rangers were sitting on evidence proving without a doubt that Lucas did not kill Underwood.

The files in the state archives include records from a company called Commercial Metals in Jacksonville, Fla. They show that Lucas sold the company scrap metal, and was paid \$19.80 cash, on the same day that he was said to be in Baytown shooting the 7-Eleven clerk. Baytown is 850 miles west of Jacksonville.

The Rangers had an explanation. They believed Lucas' scrawled signature on the Commercial Metals receipt was a forgery. To prove this, a DPS handwriting analyst examined the document in 1986.

The analyst, however, determined the signature from June 23, 1981, was indeed Lucas', as was the signature on a receipt from the next day. He could not possibly have been in Baytown.

Baytown police say now the Rangers never informed them of this handwriting analysis.

In response to this new information, which I provided to the Baytown department, investigators have re-opened the Underwood case. They also have re-opened the investigation of another 1981 murder — that of a woman Lucas confessed to killing in her home. Baytown police asked that her name be withheld because her family has not yet been notified.

"He was not even here," Baytown police Lt. Steve Dorris said last month of Lucas. "We can't attribute those cases to him."

Re-investigating two 39-year-old murders presents an exceptional challenge for a small department that does not have a separate cold-case unit. "My homicide detectives work on these cold cases between their active cases," Dorris said. "And with those old cases, people who were witnesses might have passed away by now."

One investigator added: "We're starting from scratch."

Why did the Rangers never turn over the evidence to Baytown investigators? Prince, the head of the Lucas task force, said last year he was not aware of the handwriting analysis. Adams, head of DPS when the task force was in operation, rebuffed my attempts to interview him before he died this year.

Whatever the reason, the consequence is clear. When Lucas confessed, the police investigations stopped.

That was decades ago. In the meantime, the real killer of 23-year-old Diana Underwood walked free. This the Rangers knew.

Swanson was for many years an investigative reporter and editor at The Dallas Morning News. This piece was adapted from his latest book, "Cult of Glory: The Bold and Brutal History of the Texas Rangers" published by Viking. Swanson teaches at the University of Pittsburgh. He can be reached at dougjswanson@gmail.com.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date 03-14-86

TO: H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain

Division Rangers

FROM: Bob Prince, Sergeant, Company "F"

SUBJECT: Response to Attorney General's Narrative of Investigation by
AG's Staff

This memo will serve to evaluate and respond to the narrative portion of the AG's report concerning the Henry Lee Lucas investigation. The following is submitted for such evaluation:

In the introductory pages of the report it addresses three (3) homicides in McLennan County, Texas to which Lucas confessed.

1. Refers to Glen Parks case in which Lucas confessed to being involved in offense which occurred 10-22-77. The report states Toole was in jail in Jacksonville, Florida at the time the offense occurred.

RESPONSE: Bellmead Chief of Police S. G. Radcliffe interviewed Lucas on 2-1-84, then provided Task Force with confirmation information that Lucas was involved in homicide of victim Parks. Lucas stated his partner in offense was Ottis Toole.

Task Force records indicated Toole was in jail at time of offense, therefore, this was not entered as a confirmed offense with Toole being involved on Task Force Travel Log.

2. Refers to Dorothy Collins case in which Lucas confessed to being involved in offenses which occurred on 1-25-81. Report states the McLennan County District Attorney's Office learned several months prior to confessing to the homicide he had been asked about this and denied committing the homicide.

RESPONSE: This is correct, however, the report leaves out the fact that the only agency which interviewed Lucas concerning this offense was different deputies of the McLennan County Sheriff's Department.

The fact that when first officers interviewed Lucas, it was unknown that the name H. L. Lucas was in the victim's "trick book".

When the second set interviewed Lucas, they determined Lucas was involved, then transported Lucas to the area of the crime scene where Lucas pointed out the location where the body had been found. It is suspect if the first set of officers provided Lucas all of the details and also told him how to get to the scene. It is unknown if any "spontaneous" information was provided outside of the formal interviews.

3. Refers to Rita Salazar case in which Lucas confessed to being involved in offense which occurred on 11-5-78. AG's report states the McLennan County District Attorney's Office learned several months prior to confessing to the homicide Lucas had been asked about the crime and denied same.

RESPONSE:

This is correct as officers from McLennan and Williamson Counties had interviewed Lucas regarding this offense. The reason being the agencies had a joint responsibility. Salazar's companion's (Kevin Key's) body had been found in Williamson County, then Salazar's body had been found in McLennan County. Due to ballistic information and circumstances, it was obvious both were killed by the same killer or killers.

Williamson County Sheriff Jim Boutwell and Deputy Ray Hardison determined in their opinions Lucas and Toole were responsible for the homicides of Key and Salazar.

The only spontaneous information in this offense which has been brought to the attention of the Task Force is when Lucas was being transported via helicopter along IH35 from Dallas to Georgetown, Lucas pointed out the window and stated to Ranger Clayton Smith, "That's where I killed that girl." This is the location where Rita Salazar's body had been found.

AG's report also states that Lucas was interviewed about several - probably many - murder cases and initially denied any involvement. It stated later Lucas would voluntarily "confess" to the crime to an officer who had no knowledge of the crime, let alone that Lucas had been interviewed. This harsh statement needs to be backed up with specifics as each case naturally needs to stand on its own merits.

Even the most incompetent officer would recognize if Lucas only fed information back spontaneously which he had originally given to him. Normally, only one or two officers would be involved in an investigation, therefore, even if Lucas did deny being responsible for a homicide, then later spontaneously give information, this surely could be recognized.

If the Attorney General has knowledge of this occurring, the agencies involved need to be advised and look at their corroboration used for the clearance.

The report attacks the credibility and intelligence of the law enforcement officers which interviewed Lucas and determined he was involved in the respective homicides within their jurisdiction. Of the approximately 162 homicides Lucas is still believed to be involved in by different investigators, there are different levels of certainty of involvement. This is evidenced by the fact he has been convicted in 11 homicides, indicted in numerous others, yet in some cases even investigators within the same departments disagree as to his involvement.

On 3-18-85, Attorney General's Investigator Mike Feary conferred with DPS Criminal Law Enforcement Assistant Chief Bob Werner and Williamson County Sheriff Jim Boutwell concerning AG's Office had been asked to look into the Lucas matter. Both Chief Werner and Sheriff Boutwell invited Feary to sit in on any or all interviews which officers had with Lucas and go on any or all trips in which Lucas attempted to point out crime scenes. He was also advised that any information which the Task Force had, he was welcome to view. This invitation was made so the AG's Staff could see the Task Force operation and interviews firsthand in case they wanted to make an objective evaluation.

Feary nor any other members of the Attorney General's Staff had any further contact with the Task Force members until after Lucas was bench-warranted to McLennan County on 4-14-85.

Texas Ranger Sgt. Bob Prince and Ranger Clayton Smith were the DPS Task Force members who worked with Lucas on a daily basis. They had no contact with the Attorney General's Staff prior to the removal of Lucas from their accessibility. Later Sgt. Prince advised the AG's Staff that numerous officers from across the nation would like to speak as to the credibility of their determining Lucas was involved in offenses within their jurisdiction and also speak as to the credibility of the Task Force operation. These officers were not contacted as neither their names nor agencies were obtained.

Members of Lucas' family appear to have superhuman memories according to the Attorney General's report, being able to tell exact dates in which Lucas was at specific locations on numerous occasions without any type documentation.

This memory appears to have drastically improved during Bob Lemons, Hugh Aynesworth, and Mike Feary's interviews. When the relatives were interviewed shortly after Lucas' arrest in 1983 by Gayle Reaves, writer, Fort Worth Star Telegram, they did not seem to recall dates, etc. See Attachment #1.

George Pierpont, Lt., Provo, Utah Police Department also interviewed relatives and could not learn where Lucas was during the time frame around his offense. See Attachment #2.

Tom Bevins, Detective, Huntington, West Virginia Police Department, also could not determine exactly where Lucas was during the time frame around his offense during interviews with Lucas' relatives.

The Attorney General's report states that Lucas and Toole met in February, 1979. They allude to information gathered by Aynesworth and Lemons during their interviews with Lucas' relatives, but they omit that relative Leonard Kiser states Lucas brought Toole to his place of business and introduced him in 1977. This was stated on a taped interview in which Aynesworth and Lemons were interviewing Kiser which both the AG's Staff and DPS have possession of.

Also attached is a report from Richard Mobley of the Cecil County, Maryland Sheriff's Department of an interview in which Mobley interviews Leonard Kiser and the same information is given to Mobley by Kiser. See Attachment #3.

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CONCLUSION:

The AG's narrative report lacks specificity and objectivity. The report relates investigative details in such a manner that omits key points. These ommitted points affect the objective interpretation of the information related, thus rending the report an ineffective document for law enforcement purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Texas Rangers, Company "F"
Waco, Texas

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Attachments: 1. Fort Worth Star Telegram article
 2. Investigative Report from Lt. George Pierpont, Provo, Utah
 3. Investigative Report from Richard Mobley, Cecil County,
 Maryland

Approved: _____
 H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain

Approved: _____
 A. F. Hacker, Chief
 Criminal Law Enforcement

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Date 03-07-86

TO: H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain

Division Rangers

FROM: Maurice C. Cook, Assistant Supervisor, Texas Rangers

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Texas Attorney General's Report concerning the
Chronology on the Whereabouts of Henry Lee Lucas

As you are aware, on 01-03-86, the Texas Attorney General's office provided the Department with a copy of a document referred to as "The Chronology On The Whereabouts of Henry Lee Lucas." The document (hereafter commonly referred to as the AG's Report) consists of 171 typewritten pages separated with two broad headings, "Confessions" and "Information Developed Through Investigation." The report covers dates from March, 1951 to June, 1983.

As per instructions, the AG's Report was reviewed and evaluated which met with some difficulty. The report came with only a transmittal letter and didn't come with an explanation sheet. Due to a lack of such a sheet, the two broad headings, as well as general terminology, had to be literally interpreted.

Inconsistency and poor structure added to the difficulty of evaluating the report. The report is assembled in the beginning with a collection of years then, in 1976, the report is segmented into years, ending 1983. Each segment varies just enough to take on its own unique style which may be due to the report being assembled at times by different individuals. These inconsistencies and poor structure will be further addressed as this report progresses.

The review provoked a written response to 219 issues which is supported with documentation when available. These 219 issues go to address the major conflicts but does not offer a general critique of the AG's Report. Ludicrous remarks such as, "Lucas traveling with John Doe" and "Lucas hitchhiking back to Maryland" are not fully addressed.

The following points are made to illustrate disorganization, poor structure, and confusing information as related in the AG's Report:

1. **CONFESSIONS** - Under the broad heading "Confessions", cases appear arbitrarily and are interpreted to mean confessions by Lucas. Yet, many cases listed have no relationship to Lucas confessing to the offense. In fact, 87 cases appear on the confessions side of the AG's Report, along with confirmed cases, and no listing could be located where Task Force records ever carried the 87 cases as cleared or confirmed. As an example, Delia Loera is showed under confessions on 03-02-82, with comment, "Homicide information from Task Force Calendar and Daily Log", in the AG's Report, when in fact Lucas was listed as suspect only on the Task Force Travel Log.

The AG's Report occasionally, as noted on 08-15-78, makes a notation "Suspect only." This would make one believe that the AG's office is aware of the difference between a confirmed or cleared case and a suspect only case giving more weight to the fact that The Attorney

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General's office intended for the suspect entries to be interpreted as confirmed cases.

2. REMOVED - The term "removed" was used in relation with the confession column. Removed was interpreted to mean the case was no longer confirmed. If the Attorney General intended for the term to apply to his standards, then the removal is obviously correct. However, if the removal was intended to be based on the authority of the source clearing the case, then in approximately 58 cases, the AG's Report was found to be in error.
3. ACCOMPLICE - The word "accomplice" appears mainly in the confession column. A literal interpretation of the word causes numerous conflicts with Department records. At times, the report reflects, "Accomplice: Toole only." The assumption is that Toole was Lucas' only accomplice since Freida and Frank Powell appear frequently as accomplices. Department records, however, show in some cases that Toole was the only person considered responsible. As example, on 09-12-81, listed under the confession column, "Accomplice: Toole only", when in fact, Lucas has never been considered as responsible for this case in Task Force Records, or even listed as a suspect. Lucas was known to be in custody during this period. Toole, however, was listed as being responsible. Additionally, on 05-30-80, listed under the confessions column, "Accomplice: Ottis Toole only", when in fact, neither Lucas nor Toole were shown as responsible in Task Force Records. Toole did appear in the Task Force Travel Log as a suspect only.
4. SKELETAL REMAINS - In most cases, the AG's Report failed to address the issue of skeletal remains or decomposition of a body. Such information affects the interpretation of the date listed with the homicide information which is, in most cases, the date the body was discovered. In some cases, the homicide entry date shows an immediate conflict with travel information leaving the reviewer the opinion Lucas was elsewhere on the date of homicide, when in fact, the date listed with the homicide entry has little relevance with the exact date of such offense.

On 10-19-78, the AG's Report lists victim Robert Louie Hie with a notation, "Murdered in late September", which gives the impression that the skeletal and decomposition issue is being addressed which is not the case. In most circumstances, as previously mentioned, such victim status information is simply not stated, yet, the information was given to the Attorney General's office and appears in the Task Force Synopsis. Example: Attorney General's Entry 05-01-83, shows Task Force Synopsis "#172 unknown Blythe, CA., W/F 20 to 25 YOA Strangled: Raped antimortem and postmortem." The Task Force Synopsis shows that "the victim's bones were scattered about the dessert" which is not mentioned in the AG's Report; such is misleading thus creating a false impression with the homicide date.

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5. CLOSED CASES - The basic phrase, "Case Never Closed" appears approximately 32 times in the AG's Report under "Information Developed Through Investigation", and apparently related to the homicide information listed. A closed status exists in only 10 of the cases involving Lucas since cases are only considered closed by court action. (Lucas has received court convictions in 11 cases, 1 of which is on appeal and is still considered not closed). Therefore, the term "Case Never Closed" could actually be applied to all but 10 of the Lucas court action cases; this inconsistent reporting projects a false sense of case status.

Numerous inaccuracies appear in the AG's Report which may be based, in part, on the fact that the AG's Staff relied on a Dallas Times Herald article dated 11-29-85, for some of its information. In approximately 81 separate cases, the AG's Report was worded the same, or very similarly, to information in the news article which lists 90 cases. Of the 58 occasions noted in the AG's Report as cases removed, when in fact the case had not been removed by the Task Force, 56 of the same cases appear in the news article as removed. The news article frequently used the statement "Case Never Closed". As previously noted, this is the same terminology used by the AG's Report on approximately 32 occasions.

Under "Information Developed Through Investigation", the AG's Report tends to reflect information that Lucas and Toole were possibly together in 1978. This would conflict with the Attorney General's own information which states Lucas and Toole met in Jacksonville on 02-10-79. According to the report, on 05-08-78, the following notation appears, "Lucas and Toole allegedly in Houston together." Also, according to the report, on 06-07-78, the following notation appears, "Toole working in Abilene, Texas, Toole claimed offense, Lucas nearby."

CONCLUSION:

The AG's Report is a flawed document which is poorly structured, highly misleading, and very inconsistent. Without a complete overhaul and reorganization the Department should avoid any association or credit for its publication.

Our review and evaluation of the AG's Report is intended for law enforcement purposes only, and then only to clarify the AG's Report. The review has produced an objective and comprehensive evaluation of the material yet, with each reading minor errors have been detected and corrected. This would indicate this response is not perfect but is sufficient to withstand our evaluation of the AG's Report.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CONFESSIONSINFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

8/31 Sarita Hughes
Milford, DE
W/F/?
Accomplice: Ottis
Toole.

Wade Kiser sold scrap in Philadelphia,
PA. Paid \$30 to Lucas as referenced by
Pollick-Abrams Inc. records of Kiser's.
Kiser's scrap records. (Exhibit H).
(Husband of victim had since plead
guilty to offense.)

D.P.S. RESPONSE #20

COMMENT:

Unable to locate any information to indicate this offense was ever in
any Task Force records either as a confirmed offense or a suspected
case.

A private defense attorney did interview Lucas concerning this offense
and Lucas did confess. This, however, was not listed on Task Force
documents as being confirmed because no law enforcement officer
interviewed Lucas concerning this offense while in Task Force custody.

ATTACHMENTS:

20A Letter dated 4-29-85 from Attorney Gerald Street regarding his
interview with Lucas

20B Newspaper article dated 9-28-85 written by Hugh Aynesworth

20C Letter dated 11-26-85 from Attorney Gerald Street responding to
newspaper article

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Dear Bob:

Enclosed you will find a letter addressed
to whom it may concern. I trust it will be helpful.

We shall keep you posted as more details
unfold in our case, but I am now more than ever of the
belief that Lucas and Toole actually killed the wife
of our client who has been incarcerated for over five
years.

Sincerely yours,

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To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm some of the details of a recent interview with one Henry Lee Lucas by Gerald I. Street, Esquire and Harold A. Koudelka, Private Investigator on Thursday, April 18, 1985, in an interview room in the Courthouse in Georgetown, Texas.

Prior to the interview, we had discussed with members of the Texas Rangers what were the procedures to be followed. We were warned repeatedly by various Rangers that Mr. Lucas could not always be trusted to have an accurate memory and that we should be very cautious about accepting anything said by Mr. Lucas at face value. We were told repeatedly that the Rangers and other law enforcement agencies did not accept his confessions as confirmed until they had been independently verified through some other person such as Mr. Toole or something about the details of the confession would act as confirmation because of the nature of the details, etc. In short, we were told many things before arriving in Texas and several times while in the courthouse that the Rangers themselves never consider any of Mr. Lucas' activities confirmed unless something else besides his confession is verified by facts.

It was our original intent to share the details of the crime with the Rangers to solicit their assistance and each time we were stopped in our tracks and the Rangers frankly refused to become familiar with the details. I must say the Rangers were very courteous, hospitable and cooperative by giving us very helpful background on Mr. Lucas himself, but they did repeatedly warn us to take anything said by Mr. Lucas with a grain of salt until confirmed in another way and repeatedly refused to become familiar with details of the crime.

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The Rangers did provide videotaping equipment as well as audiotaping equipment as a back up to the video and the entire interview was taped from beginning to end by both the video and back-up audio.

In our particular case, the volume of details provided by Mr. Lucas and the quality of those details lead us to believe Mr. Lucas may well be telling the truth when he confessed to killing the wife of the man we have defended for years and who has spent over five years of his life in prison. We have not yet been able to conclusively verify all of the details of Mr. Lucas' confession, but we have been able to independently confirm several essential parts of the confession. Mr. Lucas provided us in addition to his confession with a theory of the crime that had never been suggested and with details never suggested let alone reported in some fashion which he could have read or heard. It was the type of confession that would be more than sufficient to convict Mr. Lucas were he on trial.

Sincerely yours,

Gerald I. Street
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Lucas' confession delayed man's trial

By HUGH AYNESWORTH
and JIM HENDERSON

Staff Writers

WILMINGTON, Del. — A Delaware man, whose attorneys worked with the Texas Rangers in getting Henry Lee Lucas to confess to killing their client's wife, has admitted his guilt, ending the most controversial and expensive murder case in the state's history.

Robert D. Hughes, a 38-year-old schoolteacher, had planned to use the Lucas confession as part of the defense in his murder trial next month, but agreed to plead guilty to a lesser charge because the validity of hundreds of Lucas confessions had been cast in doubt.

Hughes pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of manslaughter this

past week, more than nine years after his wife was found slain outside their home in Milford, Del.

His attorneys obtained the confession from Lucas last April 11, after supplying Texas Ranger Sgt. Bob Prince with details of the crime. Gerald I.H. Street, one of Hughes' lawyers, said that he and an investigator, before interviewing Lucas, gave Prince 15 to 20 specific "points" about the murder in telephone conversations over a three- to six-month period. Lucas later said Prince discussed the case with him several times.

"We gave them enough details to make sure we weren't wasting our time going down there" to Georgetown, Street said. Lucas was jailed there under the protection of the Texas Rangers while

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he confessed to hundreds of murders.

The Rangers have acknowledged in internal reports that Lucas occasionally was given details of homicides and shown crime scene photographs "to help refresh Lucas' memory."

Hughes' attorney said he and an investigator went to interview Lucas after they became convinced, based on telephone conversations with the Rangers, that Lucas could provide them with a credible confession.

Six days after the confession was obtained, Hughes was released from jail, where he was awaiting a third trial for killing his wife. Hughes' first two convictions had been overturned by the Delaware Supreme Court.

On April 14, the Times Herald published a series of articles challenging the authenticity of Lucas' many confessions, and throughout the summer evidence continued to mount that lawmen often had fed Lucas information for his confessions.

"That's what they did in the Hughes case," said Chief Deputy Attorney General Bartholomew J. Dalton, who was in charge of prosecuting Hughes.

"We got this tape (recording of the confession) handed to us," Dalton said. "So I sat down with Bob Collison (a state investigator) and listened to this thing all day. And it was ridiculous. It was terrible and the last half-hour was incredibly boring."

"He first said he stabbed her and then there was silence. He said, 'No, I shot her.' Silence. 'I may have beat her.' Silence. And he said, 'Well, I don't think I strangled her, but I could have. Maybe I did.' It's that kind of crap."

Mrs. Hughes was strangled to death.

Collison said that the "photo lineup" shown to Lucas was actually six pictures of the victim in six different settings, so it would have been impossible for Lucas to identify the wrong person as his victim. "And I recall Henry look-

ing at one of them and saying, 'Yeah, that's her.'

"That's the way it went for about three hours" on the tape, Collison said, adding that Lucas was shown a photograph of the victim's house before being asked to describe it.

Collison said that before Hughes' attorney obtained a confession in that case, Delaware authorities had twice visited Lucas in Texas and he gave them at least eight murder confessions, all of which were rejected as unbelievable. Therefore, Delaware authorities were skeptical of Lucas from the outset of his involvement in the Hughes case.

Were they surprised that Lucas knew some details of the Hughes murder?

"I think we were initially, but now, understanding what we do about the whole situation, we're not," Collison said. "It's terrible. It's embarrassing."

Shortly after Lucas' confessions were exposed as a hoax, Prince became the subject of an internal affairs investigation by the Rangers because of his association with a Waco used-car dealer who had obtained book and movie rights to Lucas' story with Prince's help. Ranger Col. Jim Adams refused to acknowledge that the investigation took place or to disclose the outcome.

"This is one of the worst things that's ever happened to law enforcement," Dalton said of the entire Lucas saga. "Lucas' confessions were kind of like the broken clock being right twice a day. It's just so clear. Some facts he had, some he developed and some he guessed at. None he knew."

In addition to contradicting himself several times in the confession, Lucas also claimed that Otis Toole was present on the night of the murder in August 1976. However, that was 2½ years before Lucas and Toole met for the first time.

State police agencies in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Florida have investigated the backgrounds of Lucas and Toole, and all concluded that the two men did not meet until February 1979. How-

ever, a Texas Ranger document lists 35 murders supposedly committed by Lucas and Toole together before the date of their first meeting.

"The interesting thing to me," Collison said, "is that so much was available to the investigators if they wanted it. I came up with some evidence on the West Virginia case that, in my view, the West Virginia police did not want."

He was referring to the death of a Huntington, W. Va., sheriff's deputy, which was twice ruled a suicide before Lucas confessed to killing him, clearing the way for the deputy's widow to receive insurance benefits.

After a pre-sentencing investigation, Hughes will be sentenced in November; he can receive between three and 30 years in prison. The defense will ask that the 4½ years he has already served be his punishment. The state will press for the maximum sentence, Dalton said.

Defense attorney Street, citing the controversy surrounding the case, said, "It'll probably be a tough one."

Had questions not been raised about the authenticity of Lucas' confession, Street said, the case probably would have gone to trial.

Dalton said he was prepared to deal with the phony confession in the courtroom.

"If they want to bring Henry Lee Lucas up to testify, no problem," Dalton was quoted as saying after the confession surfaced. "Our pleasure. I'll book the flight."

Dalton noted that Hughes' two previous trials, which each lasted a month, ended in conviction after only brief jury deliberation.

"We have no reason to believe the outcome would have been any different this time," he said.

The state will, however, be spared the expense of another trial. The 9-year-old case already had cost Delaware \$250,000. The Lucas confession possibly prolonged the case several months and forced the state to spend thousands of dollars to prepare to disprove the Lucas confession.

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Dear Colonel Adams.

I am writing to you today about an article that appeared in the DALLAS TIMES HERALD on Sunday, September 28, 1985. It was my intention to write to you sooner, but frankly the demands of my trial schedule and other matters have simply delayed when I would have corresponded earlier. I'm writing because I think the record should be clear on the complete picture of a telephone interview given some time before that article with a person identifying himself as Mr. Hugh Aynesworth.

The actual interview contained many facts and statements which did not appear in the article and some statements included in the article were either inaccurate or out of context. For example, on the first page of the article in the fourth paragraph, it states that both I and the investigator supplied Bob Prince with details. That is inaccurate. I talked with Bob Prince on one or possibly two occasions prior to the interview and that was solely for the purpose of finding out what were the administrative mechanics in arranging the actual interview such as scheduling of the time, how we got to Georgetown, Texas, etc. I personally supplied Sgt. Prince with no details of the case. Another example would be on page twelve of the article in the second paragraph where it states that we went to Texas after we became convinced that Lucas could provide us with a credible confession. Nothing could be further from the truth, we went to Texas because we were convinced it was "possible" that Henry Lucas could have been the murderer of Serita Hughes. We were far from convinced we would have a credible confession; we were convinced only that it was a possibility.

We became convinced of this possibility NOT through anything that Bob Prince told us, but rather only after several people who have been associated with Bob Hughes' defense for years had spent months pouring over every newspaper article they could find describing Henry Lucas and finding dozens upon dozens of details that had at least some similarity with our particular case. Those other newspaper articles made it clear that Lucas was not

a stranger to this area of the east coast, that strangulation was one of the most frequently used methods, that nurses had been prior victims, and that he frequently worked with a companion. While those few facts may seem to be little upon which to base a trip as far from Delaware to Texas, it is frankly because of our present Attorney General's own prediction in this case that we went so far on such little evidence. That prosecutor has long argued that if it wasn't Bob Hughes who committed the murder, you must have to believe it was some total stranger who had no particular reason to be in that area. That is precisely the type person which Lucas seemed to be and why we went to Texas.

What concerned me most, however, were the statements said in our interview with Mr. Aynesworth that were not reported in the article and makes those other statements reported in the article out of context. While I did indicate that I thought the investigator "might" have given Bob Prince 10-15 details, I emphasize might because I made that point very clear several times. in my interview with Mr. Aynesworth, since I was never present during the phone calls between the investigator and Bob Prince. What was not reported, unfortunately, is that I said Mr. Lucas gave us approximately 100 to 150 details in his confession. Truly the number 10 or 15 pales in comparison when it is realized that 100 to 150 details were given back to us by Mr. Lucas that Sgt. Prince had never been told by the defense. Unfortunately, that other statistic did not appear in the article.

The second major objection I have to the article is the fact that I stated on more than one occasion during the interview that what was truly significant about the Lucas confession was not that he simply confessed, but rather (1) the volume of details and (2) the quality of those details. I explained to Mr. Aynesworth that the details describing the neighborhood and the interior of the house were details that had never been discussed with Sgt. Prince in any way, shape or form. Those were probably some forty to fifty different details that Mr. Lucas supplied on his own. In addition, there were other details given describing the crime scene that not only had never been discussed with Sgt. Prince, but even more importantly no one connected with the case had ever suspected, (including the defense attorneys, the private investigator, or to my knowledge, any of the police officers). It was this portion of the confession that made the confession, frankly, so credible. Mr. Lucas described a version of how the crime took place and why it took place that to date, while it had been speculated about, he offered us an explanation we had never heard at that time. The significance from the

point of view the article is, it would have been impossible for Sgt. Prince to have suggested these in a vacuum.

I spent some time discussing with Mr. Aynesworth why the details about the description of the neighborhood and of the house were so intriguing since they had not been discussed in any way with Sgt. Prince. But again, unfortunately, none of those details appeared in the article. While it is true Mr. Lucas was shown a photograph of the home was what the article fails to mention but I know I told Mr. Aynesworth, was that this photograph was of the rear of the home and what Mr. Lucas described was the appearance of the front of the home. More importantly, again the photograph was from the outside of the outside and did not in any way show the interior of the home which Mr. Lucas not only described but drew of diagram, accurate in almost every detail and describing some twenty or thirty details of the interior of the home. Again, unfortunately, this does not appear in the article.

I also explained to Mr. Aynesworth that Sgt. Prince refused to look at any of the photographs which we had brought with us and furthermore refused to be present in the interview room even though we made that request.

I am writing because I was frankly disappointed with the inaccuracies in the article with some statements in the article that were taken out of context. I was and continue to be very impressed with both how cooperative both your department and the county police agency with whom we dealt in Georgetown were and also how conscious they were of neither tainting us nor the interview process. Frankly, at times it was frustrating that Sgt. Prince wouldn't be more helpful as it seemed we were getting little from him by way of information beyond what we already knew from reading newspaper articles.

I am naturally no more anxious to become embroiled with a problem in Texas than your department is to become embroiled in any squabbles between my office and the prosecutors in Delaware and for that reason I must ask that you be judicious in how you use the contents of this letter. I would rather the letter not be reprinted in any newspaper articles, but what I have told you in this letter is the truth and my memory is accurate.

This case has generated such publicity in Delaware over the nine years it has been pending that I learned long ago to be very cautious and complete in any statements I give to the press. I have had occasion to discuss this case with newspaper reporters, television

reporters, radio reporters, etc. These reporters have included not only local media, but also from media outside this state, this region, and indeed as far obviously as the states of California and Texas. I am mentioning these facts only to assure you that when I was discussing this with a person who identified himself as Hugh Aynesworth, I was cautious to insure that whatever answers I gave would be representative of the complete picture, as I cannot assume that any reporter with whom I discuss this case has the wealth of informational background in this case that is necessary to present a truly objective and complete picture.

If I can be of any further help, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Gerald I. Street

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CONFESSIONS

INFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

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2/7 #181
Stella McLean
(Removed).
Gering, NE
W/F/46
Abducted; Raped;
Strangled; Decapitated.
Accomplices: Ottis
Toole, Frank Powell,
Frieda Powell.
Frank and Frieda Powell present in
school. Body recovered 4/15/78 in
Platt County, WY. Head not recovered
Comment: Case not closed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #43

COMMENTS:

On 9-27-84, Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska S.O. (Sheriff Schleve) confirmed this offense with Lucas being responsible. Follow-up correspondence as late as 1-2-86 indicates the Sheriff's position has not changed.

A Dallas Times Herald article has indicated that Wyoming authorities do not consider this offense as closed, however, the Task Force authority for the clearance remains with Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska since this was the location from which the victim was abducted. Attorney General's authority for removal was possibly Dallas Times Herald article.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 43A Task Force Synopsis
- 43B Letter dated 10-10-84 from Sheriff Schleve
- 43C Letter dated 1-2-86 from Sheriff Schleve
- 43D Excerpt from Dallas Times Herald article dated 11-29-85

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#181 Date: 2-7-78 (reported missing) Location: Platt Co., Wyoming
 4-15-78 (body discovered) Victim: Stella E. McLean, w/f, 46

On 2-7-78, the victim departed from her residence in Gering, Nebraska, enroute to a local ceramic shop and never returned. She was subsequently reported as a missing person.

On 4-15-78, her nude, decapitated body was discovered along I-25 about two miles north of Wheatland, Wyoming. The victim had been left face down, under a rock overhang with several pieces of the overhang placed on the body. This location is approximately 90 miles from her home.

A little more than six and one half years later, Lucas was shown one photograph taken of the victim prior to her disappearance and provided with a brief physical description. Within less than three minutes, Lucas described the area of the offense, the location and condition of the body almost perfectly.

There was no other mutilation or dismemberment. Only the person(s) involved could have provided all of these facts which matched a description of the victim's clothing.

On 9-27-84, Lucas was interviewed by officers. Lucas stated that Orris Toole, Frank and Becky Powell had accompanied him from the time they picked up the victim along a highway and left her vehicle in Scotts Bluff, Nebraska. They proceeded to the Wheatland, Wyoming, area where they parked his car and Lucas and the victim went for a walk while the others waited in the car.

Lucas strangled her manually during sexual intercourse, and struck her in the head and then decapitated her using a knife with a 18" blade. Her body was then placed under the rock overhang. Pieces of the overhang were then placed on top of the body.

Lucas stated he placed the head in a green garbage bag and reportedly discarded it along with the victim's clothing along I-90 several miles into the state of Montana. None of these items have been recovered.

Offense cleared by Sheriff David R. Schleve and Deputy Sheriff Jim K. Lawson, Scotts Bluff County Sheriff's Department, Gering, Nebraska.

David R. Schleve
SHERIFF OF SCOTT BLUFF COUNTY

GERING, NEBRASKA 69341
October 10, 1984

TELEPHONE 436-6666

OCT 16 1984

Colonel James B. Adams, Director
Texas Department of Public Safety
Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773

Dear Colonel Adams:

Over the last 6½ years we have been investigating a missing person from our county. Two months after her disappearance, a nude female was found in Wyoming with her head missing. Because of a mix-up in the laboratory she was not identified for five years. We handled our case as a homicide from the beginning. Approximately five months ago we requested to be put on the list to interview Mr. Henry Lucas. Sergeant Prince advised us to the possible length of time to get in to see him and a lot of general information about him. Sergeant Prince also stated that if we got into see Mr. Toole, he would do his best to work us in early.

After getting the run around in Florida for over five months, we finally found a new contact in Leon County, Florida. Sergeant Prince held true to his word and adjusted schedules immediately to allow us to interview what we called a real long shot. After showing Mr. Lucas a normal photograph of the victim, it took him two minutes and 13 seconds to convince me of his guilt.

In the "Big Red Country" of Nebraska, we pride ourselves of providing outstanding hospitality to visiting law enforcement officers. Sir, I must take my hat off to you and your organization. They taught me what the term "Texas Hospitality" is all about. You should be extremely proud of Sergeant Bob Prince and Ranger Clayton Smith. We could not have asked for any better treatment anywhere. These gentlemen are an outstanding example of what a law enforcement officer should be like. From the time to arrival at the airport until we left again, the red carpet was out and I thank you for it. Without their professional approach to this situation, many of these homicides would have never been solved.

I must also commend you as a agency head to have had the insight to take charge of this situation. It would have been very easy for the "ball" to have been dropped once a couple of local homicides were solved. Instead you developed a task force concept to take it as far as the need is. The families of the victims should owe you a gift of gratitude since some of their grief about what happened to their love ones can be put to rest finally. I know that I own you this gratitude as does the Stella McLean family. The people of the great state of Texas should be extremely proud of you and your fine organization. It goes without saying, if our humble, small organization could ever be of assistance to you, all you have to do is ask. Again, thank you for professional assistance of Sergeant Bob Prince and Ranger Clayton Smith. By the way, after six and a half years, we ended up solving a missing

David R. Schleve
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Respectfully Yours,



David R. Schleve
Sheriff

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David R. Schleve
SHERIFF OF SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY

GERING, NEBRASKA 69341

TELEPHONE 436-6666

January 2, 1986

Sergeant Bob Prince
State of Texas
Department of Public Safety
Austin, Texas 78773

Dear Bob

This letter is written concerning Henry L. Lucas and his involvement in the death of Stella E. McLean on or about February 8, 1978.

As you are aware, Sheriff David Schleve and I travelled to Georgetown, Texas on September 27, 1984 and interviewed Lucas regarding this matter.

As a result of the interview, we feel confident that he took part in the crime regardless of the information developed by the Dallas Times-Herald.

Even though the state of Wyoming has re-opened the case (as the body was discovered just north of Wheatland, Wyoming) the original missing person report was filed with this office and the actual location of the crime scene has never been determined.

Until proven otherwise beyond any reasonable doubt, we will stand behind the confession of Henry L. Lucas.

Sincerely

Jim K. Lawson

Jim K. Lawson
Investigator

File 78-0227

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Wyoming

- Stella McLean, 2/7/78, Platte Co. Case never closed. (Dist. Atty. Doug Bryant)

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6/3 #105
Louis Wagner removed.
(Removed)
Covington Parrish, LA
W/M/26
Shot once in back with
.32; Robbed.
1968 Ford 4-door sedan
(green).
Accomplices: Ottis
Toole, Frieda
Powell, Frank Powell.

Comments: Ballistics eliminate .32
cal. rimfire belonging to Lucas as
murder weapon. Baltimore, MD, Police
Lab. Grand jury rejected confession.

D P S. RESPONSE #48

COMMENTS:

On 4-18-84, St. Tammany Parish Detective Ed McGeehe interviewed Lucas and confirmed Lucas was responsible for homicide. Subsequently, a Grand Jury has heard information concerning the offense and took no action. The officers involved in the investigation, however, still believe Lucas is responsible.

Task Force understanding is that Ballistics has not been performed as indicated in the Attorney General's report, therefore, the .32 cal. rim fire belonging to Lucas has not been confirmed or eliminated ballistically. There is a question concerning the make-up of rim fire ammunition. The .32 cal. rim fire ammunition is only commercially manufactured in lead bullets, and the victim was killed with a jacketed bullet. Jacketed bullets can be reloaded however as indicated in attached letter from Old Winfree Gun Shop (48C).

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

48A Task Force Synopsis

48B Letter from Ed McGeehee, Deputy Sheriff, St. Tammany Parish,
dated 4-15-85

48C Letter from Old Winfree Gun Shop dated 7-23-85

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#105 Date: 6-3-78 Location: Covington, St. Tammany
 Victim: Louis Wagner, w/m, 26 Louisiana
 (Deputy Sheriff)

On 6-3-78, at approximately 1:30 A.M., the victim left the Sheriff's Office in Covington, Louisiana. He was off duty and traveling in his own vehicle.

At 2:02 A.M., same date, a State Trooper who was passing by found the victim on the side of the road, fatally shot one time in the back. Weapon used was a .32 cal. rim fire.

Victim was fully dressed, lying face down. He had traveled on foot approximately 265 feet from where he was shot to the final position of body.

Missing was the victim's personal firearm, unknown caliber, his watch and billfold, and his personal pickup. Articles from his billfold were found scattered over several miles from the location of his body to where his pickup was abandoned and partially stripped. The battery cables had been cut, and the battery and gas tank removed. Found beside the pickup was the empty gas tank and a siphon hose.

The glove box door had been removed and the vehicle had been heavily damaged from an obvious beating with a tire tool. The lights and windows had been broken out.

On 12-7-64, while Lucas was being interviewed by Jay Via, Detective Sergeant, Monroe, Louisiana P.D., he described details of this offense and stated he had killed the man shortly after killing an old woman at her residence, however, Lucas did not remember where the offense occurred, and Via was unaware of the offense as it had occurred approximately 300 miles from his jurisdiction.

At a later date, Via, while conferring with St. Tammany Sheriff's Officers, learned of the above described offense and remembered details which Lucas had given him. Via had videotaped his previous session with Lucas and played the videotape for the St. Tammany officers, who were convinced Lucas was describing this offense.

On another date, Toole described to Buddy Terry, Investigator for Jacksonville, Florida S.O., details of an offense of which Terry had no knowledge, and Toole did not know the location where it had occurred, therefore, Terry had not contacted St. Tammany S.O.

On 4-18-84, St. Tammany officers and Via interviewed Lucas and he gave officers exact details of the offense. He stated he, Toole, Becky and Frank Powell stopped on the side of the roadway and had Becky flag down the next oncoming vehicle by standing in the roadway waving her arms. The purpose was to rob occupants of the first vehicle that stopped.

Lucas advised the victim stopped, got out of his vehicle, and his badge was clearly visible on his shirt pocket. The victim briefly talked to Toole, then turned to talk to Lucas. As the victim turned his back to Toole, Toole shot him in the back and then the victim started running. Toole chased the victim and continued shooting until the gun was empty. Lucas stated the victim fell face down and his watch and billfold were removed from his body.

Lucas stated they took the victim's vehicle, removed the gas tank, siphoned the gas from it, and put the gas in the vehicle they were driving, a 1968 Ford 4 door, dark green in color, with Maryland license plates.

Lucas stated they then cut the battery cables with bolt cutters, removed the battery, and then beat the pickup with a tire tool.

Offense confirmed by Jay Via, Monroe, La. PD; St. Tammany Parish S.O.



SHERIFF

PATRICK J. CANULETTE

April 15, 1985

SHERIFF AND EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR
PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

Bob Prince, Sergeant
Texas Rangers, County Courthouse
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Dear Bob:

Again I would like to take the opportunity to thank you, Sheriff Boutwell, and other members of the Task Force for your assistance to my Department in our investigations into four (4) unsolved murders which occurred from 1978 to 1983. The solution of these crimes could not have been accomplished without the cooperation of all involved.

I can attest to the feelings and reliability and creditability of Henry Lucas, which Sheriff Canulette and Chief Laird are of the same opinion. Lucas supplied me with numerous details of circumstances on the four murder cases that only the perpetrator could have known and details that were not known by investigators that have been proven.

Once again, thanks. If I can be of assistance to you, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Det. Edgar McGehee".

DETECTIVE EDGAR MCGEHEE

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A. R. KEITH

7-23-85

PHONE 713/576-2593

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

MY NAME IS A. R. KEITH. IN MARCH 1984 CHAMBERS COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF A. L. MARTIN CAME TO MY SHOP AND ASKED ME TO CHANGE SEVERAL 32 RIMFIRE LOAD BULLETS TO 32 RIMFIRE JACKETED ROUND NOSE. I RELOADED APPROXIMATELY 30 ROUNDS.

THIS IS A SIMPLE PROCEDURE AS YOU PUSH THE BULLET WITH A BULLET PULLER THEN REPLACE THE NEW BULLET WITH A PRESS. ON THE ONLY IN QUESTION I REUSED THE SAME POWDER.

THIS IS A COMMON PROCEDURE AND MOST GUN DEALERS WOULD HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO MAKE THIS CHANGE.

IT TOOK ME ABOUT 30 MINUTES TO CHANGE THE APPROXIMATELY 30 ROUNDS OF AMMO.

THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO DO IF THEY HAD THE PROPER COMPONENTS AND RELOADING EQUIPMENT.

I HAVE BEEN A LICENSED GUN DEALER FOR 9 YEARS.

WITNESS

Betty J. Keith
Spencer

Arthur R. Keith

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10/12 #129

Carol Ann Lane removed.
Between Norfolk, VA and
Oceanview, NC.
W/F/22
Sexually assaulted;
Choked; Stabbed 19 times
in chest, neck and back.

Comments: Case never cleared.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #21

COMMENTS:

On 6-4-84, Investigator L. L. Wise, North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, interviewed Lucas and determined Lucas was involved in this homicide. Wise has since retired.

On 2-12-86, Bill Godby, Agent, North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation, stated their agency still believes Lucas responsible for homicide. The case is considered open pending outcome of Texas cases currently being prosecuted. If Texas does not convict for a death penalty, then North Carolina will consider prosecution. At this point North Carolina feels they have a prosecutable case.

Attached letter from Asst. District Attorney Michael D. Johnson further supports the above information.

The Attorney General's report indicates case never cleared, which is similar to terminology used in the Dallas Times Herald article regarding this offense dated 11-29-85.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

21A Task Force Synopsis

21B Letter dated 2-13-86 from Asst. District Attorney Michael D. Johnson

21C Excerpt from 11-29-85 article in Dallas Times Herald

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729 Date: 10-12-76 Location: North Carolina
 Victim: Carol Ann Lane, w/f, 22

On October 9, 1976, at approximately 9:00 p.m., the victim left her home in Norfolk hitchhiking in the Oceanview area. Victim's body was found Oct. 12, 1976, on the shoulders of a highway in a wooded area. Victim was found fully clothed wearing a black sweater, red jeans and white shoes. Victim had been stabbed 19 times in the chest, neck and back. Victim had been struck on the head with a blunt object, and had also been choked. There was no sign of a struggle at the scene. There was evidence of rape, then victim had been allowed to redress before death.

On 6-4-84, Lucas gave correct directions as to the location where the victim's body had been dumped. Lucas also described the nature of wounds and described the missing pocket book which he had taken. Also, Lucas correctly identified the type knife used.

Offense cleared by O. L. Wise, North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation.



*General Court of Justice
Office of the District Attorney
First Prosecutorial District*

H. P. WILLIAMS JR.
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

TELEPHONE (919) 335-0810

202 EAST COLONIAL AVENUE
ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA 27909

February 13, 1986

Texas Ranger Bob Prince
Post Office Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773

RE: Henry Lee Lucas Investigation
Homicide - Carol Ann Lane, Victim
1976 - Currituck County, North Carolina

Dear Sir:

Our investigation is still open and pending with regard to the above referenced case. Based upon the investigation by former SBI Agent Lennie Wise, and the defendant's confession, Henry Lee Lucas is the prime suspect in this case in spite of any later recantations or denials of guilt.

Pending the results of the cases in Texas, we will seek a final disposition of our case. We do not wish to take any action presently that could interfere with any proceedings in Texas.

If we can be of any further service, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Michael D. Johnson", is written over the typed name.

Michael D. Johnson
Assistant District Attorney

MDJ:lkd

cc: SBI Agent W. E. Godley

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INVESTIGATION

11/15 #178

Janet Callies
(Removed)
Grand Island, NE
W/F/40
Strangled with
telephone cord.
Accomplice: Ottis
Toole.

Frank and Frieda Powell present in
school. Toole working and cashed
payroll check in Jacksonville, FL.
Comment: Case never closed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #64

COMMENTS:

On 9-26-84, Detective C. P. Ward, Grand Island, Nebraska Police Department, gave the Task Force clearance information that Lucas was responsible for this homicide. A letter dated 12-12-85 was received wherein the above investigating officer states that Lucas is still considered responsible for this homicide.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 64A Task Force Synopsis
- 64B Letter from Lt. C. P. Ward dated 12-12-85.
- 64C Exerpt from Dallas Times Herald article dated 11-29-85

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#178 Date: 11-15-78 disappeared Location: Grand Island, Nebraska
 Victim: Janet Callies, w/f, 40

The victim was last seen in a bar in Grand Island, Nebraska in a rural area. A body was never found.

On 9-26-84, officers interviewed Lucas in reference to her disappearance. Lucas described the location of the bar and pointed out the same on a map. He also correctly described the victim and correctly described the location of the apartment complex where he stated they went and where he and Toole had sex with her. After leaving the apartment, he said they drove about 25 miles to a roadside park area near St. Paul, Nebraska, where Toole strangled the victim with a telephone cord which they had in the vehicle. Lucas stated they then buried her 50 to 75 yards from the park using an army shovel to bury her 2 or 3 feet deep. Lucas recalled the victim had told him that she was divorced and having custody procedures on three daughters which has been verified by the officers.

Offense cleared by Detective C. P. Ward, Grand Island Police, Nebraska.

HOWARD BACON

Chief of Police



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GARY PIEL

Deputy

Chief of Police

December 12, 1985

Sgt. Bob Prince
Texas Rangers
Department of Public Safety
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RE: Janet Callies Case
Grand Island, Nebraska

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On November 15, 1985 Janet Callies of this city was reported to our department as a missing person. The circumstances surrounding her disappearance were extremely suspicious, and from the inception of this report this department felt she had met with foul play. Neither her nor her body, to this date, have ever been found, nor has the vehicle she would have been driving at the time of her disappearance been located.

There was no information received by this department to change the status of this case until February of 1984, at which time our department supplied information to the Task Force working the Henry Lee Lucas case.

We were later notified that Henry Lee Lucas had been interviewed reference the Janet Callies disappearance and he had positively identified her from a photo as being a person that he and Otis Toole had met with, kidnapped, ultimately killed and stole her vehicle.

As a result of that preliminary interview with Mr. Lucas, I personally traveled to Georgetown, Texas on September 26, 1985 and had occasion to personally interview Henry Lee Lucas.

During the course of this interview Henry Lee Lucas confessed to this officer that he and Otis Toole had, in fact, met up with the identified female, ultimately killed her in an adjoining county and buried her body.

He supplied this officer with information concerning Janet Callies and the location of her disappearance, which was not contained in the case file, and absolutely no person could have, at any time, leaked said information to Mr. Lucas.

Two examples were that Mr. Lucas informed us that the woman was separated from her husband and was having problems with him and that she had three children. Mr. Lucas volunteered this information during my interview with him and the facts were known by this officer to be accurate and they were also not contained within the department case file on this case.

He also supplied me, during the interview, with a detailed description of the location of the bar which he and Otis Toole had observed the female subject leaving just prior to their kidnapping her at gunpoint.

His description of the location of the country-side tavern was unique and he could have only been describing the tavern where Janet Callies was last seen prior to her disappearance.

Based on this officer's interview with Henry Lee Lucas, upon my return to Grand Island, the Grand Island Police Department closed the case of Janet Callies as far as her being a missing person. The family members were informed by this department that she was, in fact, deceased and, in our opinion, had died as a result of having come into contact with Henry Lee Lucas and Otis Toole.

Efforts were made by this department to locate the buried body of Janet Callies, but the area described by Mr. Lucas where the body was buried, some 25 miles North of Grand Island, is a rather large area to search for a six-year-old grave site. Our efforts to discover the body were negative.

In response to the article being publicized by the Dallas Times Herald, I have only this to say. I was interviewed by phone by an individual who informed me that he was a reporter from the Dallas Times Herald. I informed that individual that it was my opinion that Henry Lee Lucas and Otis Toole had, in fact, met with and killed Janet Callies and that the only part of our case that remained open or unsolved was that Janet Callies was still missing, as we had not as yet located her body. I specifically recall telling the reporter that I did not believe Henry Lee Lucas' recanting of all of his confessions and that it was my personal belief that he was responsible for the disappearance of Janet Callies and that the only part of our case that remained open was the fact that we had never located her body.

Sincerely,

GRAND ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT



Lt. C. P. Ward
Criminal Investigation Division

CPW/rkk

Changes in Lucas cases

Here is a listing, state by state, of the murders that the Texas Rangers attributed to Henry Lee Lucas or his sometimes traveling companion Otis Toole, with the victims

name listed first, the date the murder was discovered, the change in each case's status, and the source for those changes.

Alabama

- Gladys Gilmore, 7/6/78, Montgomery: Case never closed. (Sgt. C.K. Hatford) *Who said yes, a file*

Arizona

- Francis Capaldi, 2/11/82, Flagstaff: Case never closed. (Det. Frank Manson)

California

- Dennis Gibson, 11/18/81, Calico and
- Unidentified female, 12/2/81, Baker: Cases reopened. (Deputy Dick Peterson)
- Laraine Cuevas, 4/5/82, Sacramento: Case reopened. (Deputy Stan Reed)
- Gayl Peterson, 12/12/82, Bakersfield: Case reopened. (Det. Les Vincent)
- Vickie Schneider, 8/30/76 Eureka: Case never closed. (Det. Leo Bessette)

Colorado

- Violist Newman, 10/25/80, Arapahoe Co. and
- Helene Prunsky, 1/16/80, Englewood: Cases closed. (Investigator Carl Whiteside)
- Sharon Copp, 8/17/78, Pueblo Co. and
- Ellen Holman, 10/10/74, Pueblo Co.: Cases never closed. (Deputy Joe Antonio)

Illinois

- Lisa Stusser, 8/24/77, Lake Co.: Case never closed. (Det. Mike Blazincic)

Louisiana

- Louis Wagner, 6/3/78, St. Tammany Parish,
- Rosanne Scharp, 2/12/82, Covington,
- Ruth Mangano, 8/26/83, St. Tammany Parish and
- Kenneth Broyles, 8/28/82, St. Tammany Parish: Grand jury rejected Lucas confessions.

Mississippi

- John Noyes, 3/25/79, Jackson: Case reopened. (Det. D.F. Fendren)

Missouri

- Leigh Ann Wilson, 11/2/78, Jefferson City: Case never closed. (Sheriff Ted Boehm)

Nebraska

- Janet Coffey, 11/15/78, Grand Island: Case never closed. (Det. C.P. Ward)

Nevada

- Unidentified male, 10/22/80, Nye Co.,
- Unidentified male, 9/1/80, Fallon Co. and
- Cora Carrillo, 2/26/81, Douglas Co.: Cases never closed. (Det. John Compston)
- Robert Ridley, 9/17/78, North Sparks,
- Jeannie Smith, 10/27/78, Washoe Co. and
- Michael Whiten, 12/1/79, Washoe Co.: Cases never closed. (Capt. Dan Goppa)

Texas

- Bernice Erdman, 2/12/77, Houston,
- John Swint, 12/13/77, Houston,
- Tina Carr, 5/17/78, Houston,
- Jean Mite, 4/7/79, Houston,
- Charlotte Walls, 5/16/79, Houston,
- Glenda Goff, 9/6/77, Houston,
- Katho Dunham, 12/25/79, Houston,
- Domingo Munoz, 9/12/81, Houston and
- Alfredo Trevizo, 1/18/79, Houston: Cases reopened. (Sgt. Ken Williamson)
- Rita Salazar, 11/5/78, McLennan Co.,
- Dorothy Collins, 1/25/81, McLennan Co. and
- Glen Parks, 10/22/77, Belmond: Grand jury rejected Lucas confessions.
- Marie Clark, 10/11/82, San Saba: Grand jury rejected Lucas confession.
- Unidentified female, 1/28/82, Hale Co.: Indictment dismissed at DA's request. (Court records)
- Dora Williamson, 8/25/75, Lubbock,
- Elizabeth Ann Price, 4/10/76, Lubbock,
- Naomi Martin, 1/31/71, Lubbock: Indictments dismissed at DA's request. (Court records)
- Nancy Frase, 12/26/76, San Antonio,
- Linda Hopwood, 4/27/77, San Antonio,
- Elsa Gonzales, 7/31/77, San Antonio,
- Kathryn O'Conner, 7/27/79, San Antonio,
- Bobbie Barker, 9/23/82, San Antonio and
- Frances Machado, 8/23/82, San Antonio: Cases reopened. (Deputy Maurice Rose)
- Estelle Montoya, 3/5/81, Corpus Christi: Case reopened. (Lt. U. B. Alvarado)
- Unidentified female, 7/5/82, Irving,
- Unidentified female, 4/11/84, Irving and
- Adrian Reed, 2/15/83, Irving: Cases reopened. (Capt. Tracy Bush)
- Lois Harila, 4/1/81, Baytown and
- Thelma Lopez, 4/8/81, Baytown: Cases reopened. (Chief A.W. Honscey)
- Roy Hallmark, 2/23/80, Galveston and
- Suzanne Bowers, 5/21/77, Galveston: Cases never closed. (Det. Harry Mito)
- John Whitley, 1/27/78, Bastrop Co. and
- Faye Whitley, 1/27/78, Bastrop Co.: Cases reopened. (Sheriff I.R. Hoshins)
- Unidentified female, 11/25/77, Polk Co.: Indictment dismissed at DA's request. (Court records)
- Unidentified male, 11/14/80, Polk Co.: Case never closed. (Sheriff Ted Everett)
- Donna Inlow, 4/27/81, Brownwood: Case never closed. (Sheriff Bill Donahoe)
- Cell Maxley, 1/18/79, Marion Co.: Case reopened (County Investigator David Brill)
- Robert Hie, 10/19/78, Pecos Co.: Case never closed. (Sheriff Bruce Wilson)
- Unidentified female, 11/1/80, Walker Co.: Case never closed. (Investigator Wall Pinnar)
- Unidentified female, 6/4/81, Comal Co.: Case never closed. (Sheriff Walter Fullers)
- Donnavar Hanna, 12/22/79, Arlington and
- Pat B...

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CONFESSIONS

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10/4 #227
Mazie Lee Seymore
Seminole County, GA
W/F/56
Robbery/Homicide;
Shot once with .30
Accomplice: Ottis
Toole.

Frank and Frieda Powell present in
school. Toole working and cashed
payroll check in Jacksonville, FL.
Lucas working and was issued Labor
Inc. check #4443 for \$116.87.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #87

CONFLICT:

Possible inaccurate work records shows Lucas working in Jacksonville,
Florida on the date of this offense.

ATTACHMENTS:

87A Task Force Synopsis

87B Letter from investigating agency which goes to the credibility of
clearance

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Report No. 28: Summary of Offenses Cleared by Suspects Henry
 Lucas and Ottis Toole 1-24-85 through 4-25-85

The following is a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspects Henry Lucas and Ottis Toole as determined from information coming to the DPS Homicide Task Force. The certainty of clearance of each offense is unknown to writer, and no recommendations are made as to their authenticity.

#227 Victim: Mazie Lee Seymore, w/f, 56 Location: Seminole Co., Ga.
 Date: 10-4-79

The victim was working at her husband's business at a convenience store which was next door to their house in Donaldsville, Georgia. The victim had been forced into the business restroom and shot with a 30 caliber marlin rifle.

An undetermined amount of cash was taken from the cash register. \$16.50 worth of gas was also taken. The victim had been shot once on her right side. The victim was found at 11:15 a.m.

Lucas directed officers to the crime scene and described the victim. Lucas identified the correct weapon that was used and the location in the store that she was killed. Lucas stated that Toole was with him.

Georgia officers also talked with Ottis Toole who confirmed that he was with Lucas on this offense.

Offense confirmed by Sheriff Jerry Godby, Seminole County Sheriff Office, and Georgia Bureau of Investigation Agent Steve Davis.

Deputies
Hurby Johnson
Ray Bracklin
Howard Tyler
Fred Moore

Telephone (912) 524-5115



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The following described homicide occurred in Southwest Georgia, Seminole County (Donalsonville) on 10-04-79, at approximately 12:00 P.M. Mrs. Mazie Lee Seymour, W/F, age 56, owner & operator of Ranch 49 convenience store, Highway #91 S. in Seminole County, was shot through the side with a .30/.30 caliber bullet, resulting in her death. Stolen at time of the incident was approximately \$15.00 worth of gasoline and an undertermined amount of money from store receipts. The victim's body was found shortly after the incident in the bathroom of the aforementioned business.

On Friday, Feb.15, 1985, Sheriff Jerry Godby and GBI Special Agent Steve Davis interviewed Henry Lee Lucas in Georgetown, Texas, at the Williamson County Jail in reference to this homicide. During this interview, Lucas admitted being at the above-mentioned store with his companion and long-time friend, Ottis Elwood Toole. Lucas further admitted that Toole shot the aforementioned victim and left her body in the bathroom of this business. Lucas further admitted that he received a portion of the money stolen during the incident, and obtaining a tank of gasoline from the pumps of the business.

Lucas could not identify the victim through a photographic lineup due to the fact that he claims that he did not enter the business at the time of the incident; however, Lucas identified a picture of the business through a photographic lineup. Lucas also pointed out on a Georgia road map the location of this business as being located on Highway #91 S. of Donalsonville, Georgia. Lucas further claimed that his knowledge of the actual killing of the victim was solely that of the information related to him by Toole after the incident occurred.

On April 4, 1985, Henry Lucas, in custody of two Texas Rangers and several GBI agents, arrived in Donalsonville, Georgia, at approximately 3:00 P.M. At this time, Sheriff Jerry Godby and GBI Special Agent Steve Davis met with Lucas and these officers. Lucas directed Sheriff Godby and these officers directly from the center of Donalsonville, Ga. to Highway #91 South, and then directly to the crime scene of this incident. At this scene, Lucas was again interviewed by Sheriff Godby and Special Agent Davis, and again Lucas admitted to his participation into the homicide of the victim, and Toole's commission of the killing. (Note: Sheriff Godby advises that both the aforementioned interviews were video & audio recorded after Lucas was advised of his Miranda Rights.)

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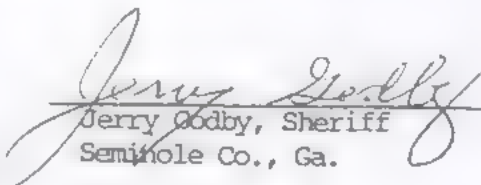
S.O. CASE NO. 79-10-004
DATE OF INCIDENT: 10-04-79
TIME OF INCIDENT: Approximately 12:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Ranch 49 Convenience Store
Highway #91 S.
Donalsonville, Georgia
VICTIM: Mazie Lee Seymour, W/F, Age 56

On Tuesday, April 16, 1985, Seminole County Sheriff Godby and GBI Special Agent Steve Davis interviewed Ottis Elwood Toole at FDLE headquarters in Tallahassee, Fl. in reference to the investigation. During this interview, Toole identified a photograph of this victim through a photographic lineup, he also identified the business through a photographic lineup. Toole admitted that he shot and killed this victim in this store, and that Henry Lee Lucas was with him at the time of this incident. Toole admitted that he alone entered the business while Lucas moved their vehicle away from the store.

Prior to these interviews of Lucas and Toole, Sheriff Godby and Special Agent Davis, nor any of their respective department representatives provided the Texas or Florida authorities with details concerning this homicide. It was only after the interview of Lucas and Toole, in which significant details such as the location of the killing within this business, the theft of the gasoline from the business, the identification of the victim and the business, through photographic lineups, that Sheriff Godby provided Texas and Florida with a synopsis of this crime.

My department and community would like to congratulate the Texas and Florida authorities in displaying their professionalism in assisting in this investigation by arranging ample opportunities for interviews with Lucas and Toole without direct involvement with this investigation. The victim's family has expressed their gratitude to these departments for lightening the burden of an unsolved homicide during a six-year time period.

Due to the aforementioned facts and being personally involved with the interviews of Lucas and Toole, and personal contact with Texas and Florida authorities, it is incredible to me that the news media or anyone else could possibly question the validity of this investigation. The criticism by the news media and other persons concerning the validity and credibility of the interview of Lucas and Toole are unfounded and unjustified. They also cast a shadow on my personal ability, my professional ability, and the integrity of myself and my department, along with other officers throughout the country who have interviewed Lucas and Toole.


Jerry Godby, Sheriff
Seminole Co., Ga.

JG:tjp

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11/10 #189

Unknown

(Removed)

Livingston County, NY

W/F/15

Comments: Case never closed.

Shot twice with
either .38 or .357
Accomplices: Ottis
Toole, Frieda Powell,
Frank Powell

D.P.S. RESPONSE #92

COMMENTS:

On 10-29-84, Major John York, Livingston County, New York, Sheriff's Office provided Task Force with clearance information regarding this homicide.

A letter dated 12-31-85 was sent by Theodore E. Wiggins, Jr., who is the District Attorney for Livingston County, New York, which indicates Lucas and Toole were still responsible for this homicide, however, the letter did not speak directly to the issue of responsibility. The letter addressed the credibility of the handling of this investigation.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENT:

92A Task Force Synopsis

92B Letter dated 12-31-85 from District Attorney Theodore E. Wiggins, Jr.

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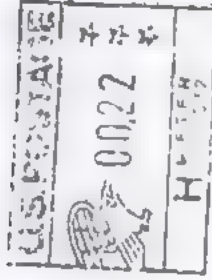
#189 Date: 11-10-79 Location: Livingston County, N.Y.
Victim: unidentified w/f, approximately 15

The victim was willingly picked up in a central park on a street in Philadelphia about a week prior to her death. The victim apparently traveled with Lucas, Toole, Becky and Frank Powell. The victim was found on the side of the road on Route 5, in Caledonia, New York, having been shot once in the forehead and shot once in the back with a .38 or a 357. The victim had not been sexually assaulted and was fully clothed. The victim was stripped of all identification. Both Lucas and Toole confessed to this offense.

Offense cleared by Major John York, Livingston County Sheriff, Geneseo, New York.

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THEODORE E WIGGINS, JR.
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Texas Rangers
Company "F"

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THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

716-243-0113

60 Minutes
518 W. 57th Street
New York, New York

1 Harry Reasoner

Dear Sir:

No doubt the smarter thing for me to do is to sit quietly and let the dust settle on the Henry Lucas matter. As a matter of conscience, however, I feel your report which aired on December 29, 1985 presented a grossly unfair image of the Texas Rangers. Certainly, your report was completely inconsistent with the behavior of Rangers that I dealt with in October of 1984 during contacts I had with them and with Henry Lee Lucas.

As District Attorney of Livingston County, New York, I had been concerned with the body of a young woman found a few rows into a cornfield on November 10, 1979. She was not identified and remains unidentified to this date. She had been shot twice.

A very active investigation lead up many blind alleys and dead ends. Henry Lee Lucas was a minimum suspect earlier than 1984 but was not considered seriously prior to that time. In the autumn of 1984 personnel from Erie County, New York (Buffalo) and the New York State Police met with Henry Lee Lucas relative to matters in that jurisdiction. They had some contact with Livingston County personnel relative to our "Jane Doe" case and briefly explored our case with Lucas. Thereafter they informed us

they were discounting Lucas' involvement in their matters but felt he had more hard information on our matter. It was thereafter determined that Major John York of the Livingston County Sheriff's Department and myself would travel to Georgetown, Texas to interview Lucas. We made arrangements and eventually met with him on October 29, 1984. Our contact with the Texas Rangers was a Sergeant Bob Prince and, to a lesser extent, a Clayton Smith. Both Sgt. Prince and the Erie County people had warned us before that Lucas was capable of confessing to anything and we should test any statement he made. Specifically, the Texas Rangers, and Bob Prince in particular, were anxious to advise us that they were not endorsing everything Lucas said but that we should be careful to check his claims and to look for independent verification.

Lucas was disgusting to deal with. Even without a warning I believe anyone would want not to credit Lucas with more homicides, simply because he so wanted credit.


In our own case Lucas' story checked out, with Otis Toole's in Florida. They had, as best we could determine, not had contact with each other. Lucas told us things not known to people he had had previous interviews with and he did not just play off us. We were made aware of an employment record that suggests Lucas was not in New York at the time of the homicide by the Texas Rangers. We investigated and believe the employment record was fraudulent. Criminal cases are not normally such that you reach absolute truths or establish facts to a certainty. That is part of the territory. However, this is not to say that a best effort isn't appropriate.

To my observation and to the admittedly limited extent of contact with the Texas Rangers on only one "Henry Lucas case", I found the Rangers I dealt with to be completely professional, careful and giving a best effort. They were not overly anxious to see our case closed and specifically mentioned that they didn't care whether we

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closed the case or not. The Livingston County Sheriff's Department did not close the case because the victim was not identified and there was no point in proceeding with a prosecution of Lucas. The Texas Rangers were at all times, in my dealings, completely careful, thorough and professional. Your presentation was very inconsistent with my experience.

Very truly yours,


Theodore E. Wiggins, Jr.
District Attorney

TEW/jq

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12/22 #191

Comments: Case never closed.

Donaver P. Hanna
(Removed)
Arlington, TX
W/M/40
Robbery/Homicide;
Shot with .27 pistol.
Vehicle: Wh/blue 73 Olds
Station Wagon.
Accomplice: Ottis
Toole, Frieda Powell,
Frank Powell.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #99

COMMENTS:

On 11-27-84, Captain Dennis Rhoten, Arlington Police Department, provided Task Force with information that confirmed Lucas as responsible for homicide.

Attorney General's report states this case has been removed and case was never closed. In December, 1985, Captain Rhoten verbally verified Lucas still responsible. Attached letter from Assistant Police Chief Marion Rettig will further document confirmed status.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

99A Task Force Synopsis

99B Letter dated 1-13-86 from Chief Rettig

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#141 Date: 12-22-79 Location: Arlington, TX
 Victim: Donaver Purvis Hanna, w/m, 40

On 12-22-79, at approximately 10:50 p.m., a robbery-murder occurred at the Speedie Mart Convenient Store, address 1861 West Division St., Arlington, Texas. The clerk had been taken into a walk-in cooler and shot. The victim received a gun shot wound to the chest, one to the left side of the head and one to the left side of the neck. The weapon was a .22. Approximately \$250.00 in cash had been removed from the cash register.

On 11-27-84, Henry Lucas directed officers to the location of the store where the murder occurred. Lucas stated he, Ottis Elwood Toole, Freida and Frank Powell drove into Arlington in a white/blue 1973 Oldsmobile station wagon looking for a place to rob needed money. Lucas stated they pulled into the above store and he and Toole went in and took the clerk to the cooler where Lucas shot the victim with a .22 caliber Ruger pistol. Lucas stated they took approximately \$275.00 from the cash register. Lucas stated he shot the victim three times, twice in the left side of the head and once in the chest. When he led officers back to the store, he correctly pointed out where the counter and cash register had been even though at the present time, they are in a different location. He also correctly pointed out where portable buildings had previously been across the street. Lucas also stated that the victim walked with a limp. Officers contacted the victim's brother who stated the victim did drag his foot when he walked, so that would appear he walked with a limp.

Offense cleared by Detective Captain Dennis Rhoten, Arlington Police Department, Arlington, Texas.

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January 13, 1986

Sgt. Bob Prince
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Dear Sgt. Prince,

In response to your request, I will clarify my thoughts related to Henry Lee Lucas and his possible involvement in two homicides in the City of Arlington. I have not talked to Lucas and my impressions are based upon information supplied to me by Captain Dennis Rhoten of this department.

Henry Lee Lucas possessed a great deal of information about the circumstances surrounding the death of Donover Hanna during an apparent robbery. I believe that the extent of that information would lead any reasonable person to believe that Lucas either committed the offense, was present at the time another committed the offense, received detailed information regarding the offense from the actual offender, or received information from some other knowledgeable source.

It has been suggested that Lucas received information from police sources eager to clear unsolved cases. I cannot speak to, nor will I speculate on, the merits of such allegations arising from cases outside this jurisdiction; however, it is important to note that, in the Hanna case, Lucas apparently possessed information that was unavailable to the investigating officers.

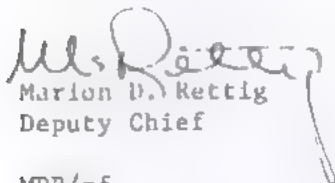
Lucas informed investigators that the victim walked with a slight limp. Captain Rhoten subsequently contacted relatives of the deceased and learned that he did indeed have a physical disability which caused a slight limp.

Sgt. Bob Prince
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I might further add that members of this agency discussed the Lucas case with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office shortly after his confession. A decision was then made that we would not pursue criminal charges at that time. Captain Rhoten continued to work on the case and made unsuccessful attempts to interview Ottis Toole to confirm Lucas' statements.

In my twenty-three years of law enforcement, I have worked with the Texas Rangers on numerous occasions and have always been impressed by the professional demeanor they displayed upon those occasions. I have no reason to suspect anything less in this matter.

Respectfully,


Marion D. Kettig
Deputy Chief

MDR/pf

// CONFESSIONS

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2/23 #154
Roy Wayne Hallmark
(Removed)
Galveston County, TX
W/M/29
Stabbed 27 times.
Accomplice: Ottis
Toole.

Comments: Case never closed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #109

COMMENTS:

On 8-15-84, Galveston P.D. Detective Harry Millo provided the Task Force with clearance information with Lucas being responsible.

In December, 1985, Detective Millo orally stated their position has not changed, and sent the attached letter which further corroborates that the case was cleared with Lucas being responsible. Attached Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire mailed to Sgt. Leo Singleton in March, 1985 was returned with further confirmation that the case had been cleared.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

109A Task Force Synopsis

109B Letter dated 12-21-85 from Galveston P.D. Detective Harry Millo

109C Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#154 . Date: 2-23-80 Location: Galveston, Texas
Victim: Roy Wayne Hallmark, w/m, 29

On 2-23-80 at 8:12 p.m., officers received a call of a deceased laying in the driveway of a service station in a residence-business area of Galveston across the street from a Catholic Church. The body was fully clothed laying on his back. The victim had received 27 stab wounds to the face, arms, chest and upper leg including 6 defensive wounds. It was later determined that the fatal wound was to the heart. All the wounds appeared to have come from the same knife which was not left at the scene. Investigators revealed the victim was stabbed in an alley behind a service station as a trail of blood led 150' to a driveway where his body was found.

The victim was a vagrant type and had numerous arrests for theft related offenses and narcotics. The victim was last seen before death at a rescue mission in Houston. The victim was a white male, 29 years of age, 5'7", and 150 lbs.

On 7-5-84, officers interviewed Lucas and Lucas stated he and Toole shd picked up a man in Houston at a Mission. They had left the body across the street from a Catholic Church. Lucas stated Toole started stabbing the victim in the vehicle in an alley. then the victim began running with Toole chasing him and after the victim fell in the driveway of the service station, Toole repeatedly stabbed him. Lucas described the victim as a white male in his late 20's to early 30's, 5'8", and about 160 lbs. wearing blue jeans and a work shirt.

On 8-15-84, Lucas was taken to Galveston where he pointed out the Church first and then pointed out the alley where Toole started stabbing the victim.

Offense cleared by Det. Harry Milo, Galveston Police Department. |



Galveston Police Department

P.O. Box 568 Galveston, Texas 77553

Telephone (409) 766-2174

December 12th, 1985

Sgt Bob Prince
Texas Rangers
Waco, Texas

Bob:

The article in the Dallas Times Herald, dated Friday, November 29th, 1985 has a mis-quote.

I did not tell the reporter that we reopened two murder investigations. I told the reporter that we strongly feel that Lucas committed the offenses. I told him that we do not close a murder investigation until that person is charged and convicted. I told the reporter that we have a statement from Lucas but we do not have any evidence to prove Lucas committed the crime.

I was then asked if Lucas could have committed the crime, since his wife said that Lucas had never left Maryland. I told the reporter that Lucas said he murdered the people and the wife says that he couldn't because he was in Maryland. I said, I believe what Lucas said because he knew things plus he took us to the crime scenes. I told the reporter that if he (Lucas) didn't commit the offenses, then someone would have had to tell him all about the cases.

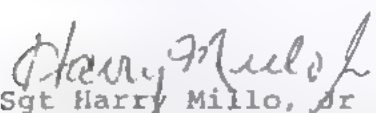
The reporter then asked if we furnished the Ranger Task Force any information about these cases prior to talking with Lucas. I told the reporter that all we asked of the task force was to find out if Lucas had even been in Galveston. The task force contacted us and said that Lucas has stated he committed crimes in Galveston. We then made arrangement to go to Georgetown and talk with Lucas. After Lucas told us of the crimes we then researched our murder investigations to see if we had any similar to what he had told us. We then made arrangements to get Lucas to Galveston where he took us to the crime scene areas. I told the reporter that Lucas had not been told of the crimes or showed pictures of the people prior to coming to Galveston.

I then informed the reporter that the task force had requested a brief summary of the crime and dates that the offense occurred. I also told the reporter that the task force had explained to us that they were attempting to keep track of Lucas's whereabouts. I told the reporter that the task force had supplied us with a list of dates and places Lucas may have been. We were told this information is not confirmed. This was information they had received from other agencies.

Bob, this reporter called me on the phone one day. From the questions he was asking, I got the feeling that he was insinuating that the police departments had told the task force of the crimes and that the task force had questioned Lucas, showed him photoes or told Lucas about the crimes.

I hope this clarified the article to some degree.

Sincerely,


Sgt Harry Millo, Jr
Criminal Investigation Div.
Galveston Police Department



Galveston Police Department

P.O. Box 568 Galveston, Texas 77553
Telephone (409) 786-2174

March 27, 1985

Lucas Homicide Task Force
312 N. Main
Williamson County Sheriff's Office
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Dear Sir:

In assistance with Department of Public Safety, Texas Rangers, our agency has cleared four(4) homicides in our investigative interviews with Henry Lee Lucas. Our investigation involved two(2) visits by Lucas totaling approximately thirty six(36) hours of investigation.

Cases Cleared:

Susan Bowers, F/W, 12, killed, 5/21/77
James Cox, M/W, 25, killed, 2/1/77
Roy Hailmark, M/W, 29, killed, 2/23/80
Luis Leger Jr., M/W, 24, killed, 11/25/77

It would be extremely difficult to establish an approximate cost factor as since the discovery of Lucas. We've had two(2) detectives working almost daily evaluating past homicides with Lucas and Toole's profiles along with their other daily case assignments. I would like to say I agree with you that Lucas's availability under the present conditions is a major factor in working more effectively and efficiently toward solving past homicides involving Henry Lee Lucas.

Our agency would like to continue working with your department as Lucas has provided us with information involving Ottis Toole in other similar cases which is three(3) other homicides and the arson of a hotel fire where eight(8) person were killed in Galveston.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Leo Singleton
Criminal Investigation Division

LUCAS HOMICIDE TASK FORCE

REQUEST: To all Law Enforcement Agencies that have cleared homicide case(s) involving Henry Lee Lucas.

FROM: Lucas Homicide Task Force

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A MAN-HOUR BREAKDOWN, SHOWING THE APPROXIMATE MAN-HOURS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPENDED DURING YOUR INVESTIGATIONS.

PLEASE LIST

Total number of offenses cleared 4

Total man-hours expended (approximate).....

Total approximate cost of operations
(if possible)

Name of victim(s).....1.

.....2.

Date of offense(s).....1.

.....2.

Agency and Address... Galveston Police Dept 2512 Ave. H

Officer Submitting... Det. Sgt. Lee Singlet

Psychological Profile Obtained.....YES ☒NO

NOTE: Please return this brief form to the Lucas Homicide Task Force.

PLEASE MAIL:

Lucas Homicide Task Force
312 N. Main
c/o Williamson County Sheriff's Office
Georgetown, Texas 78626

12.
CONFESSIONSINFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

8/14 #183
Bernice H. Harris
Elmore County, AL
W/F/40
Kidnapped; Strangled.

Toole working in Jacksonville, FL.
Lucas sold 820 pounds of scrap
metal in Jacksonville, FL.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #121

CONFLICT:

Attorney General's report shows apparent conflict. Report shows Lucas sold scrap metal on and around the date of this homicide and abduction to Commercial Metals, Inc. in Jacksonville, Florida. The following metal records dates are the ones discussed herein:

8-12-80 Signed Henry Lucas, but has the appearance of a
forgery
8-13-80 Signed Freida Powell
8-14-80 Signed Henry Lucas, but has the appearance of a
forgery
8-15-80 Signed Freida Powell

The location where the victim disappeared is approximately 300 miles from the scrap metal sales site, and since the victim's disappearance occurred shortly after midnight on 8-14-80, it would seem conceivable that Lucas could have traveled to the abduction and homicide site in spite of the scrap metal records information. Alabama authorities have been notified of the possible conflict by Task Force for their evaluation and follow-up investigation.

A letter from Janice C. Williams, Chief Assistant District Attorney, Wetumpka, Alabama, indicates that she intends to prosecute this homicide at a later date. The letter is dated 4-26-85.

ATTACHMENTS:

121A Task Force Synopsis

121B Letter dated 4-26-85 from Janice D. Williams, Asst. District Attorney

121C Commercial Metal records

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task force between the dates stated above.

#183 Date: 8-16-80 (body found) Location: Millbrook, Alabama
 Victim: Bernice Hollon Harris, w/f, 40

The victim had been missing from the Millbrook area after leaving her work at the Majik Mart at 12:30 a.m. on 8-14-80. The victim was last seen wearing dark blue pants, a blue sleeveless pullover shirt and a Majik Mart jacket. The victim's disabled vehicle was found out of gas on the normal route to her residence.

On Saturday evening, August 16, 1980, at approximately 6:30 p.m., the victim's body was discovered over an embankment and partially in a pond of water located off of Widow Home Road in Elmore County, Alabama. The victim was lying face down with part of her head in the water. The victim had been strangled with an electrical cord found around her neck. The victim's pants zipper was down and the top button was missing. It appeared that the body may have been dragged about 10 feet from the road. Also found at the scene was numerous Budweiser beer cans.

On 10-9-84, Lucas was interviewed by Elmore County officers concerning this case. Lucas admitted the murder of this victim. Lucas correctly described the victim's jewelry, purse and the crime scene. Lucas stated they drank Budweiser beer. Lucas correctly described her blouse, kind of pants, and shoes. Lucas also stated that the victim had told her of her domestic troubles with her husband which was true as they were separated. Lucas correctly located the victim's vehicle which he said had run out of gas.

Lucas described the wire used for strangulation as being a short electrical cord that previously had alligator clips on each end (which he stated he used for wiring around burglar alarms).

Offense cleared by Sheriff Sidney Thrash, Elmore County Sheriff Office, Alabama.

Office of District Attorney
Nineteenth Judicial Circuit of Alabama

GLEN CURLEE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
JANICE CLARDY WILLIAMS
CHIEF ASSISTANT DIST. ATTY.

JOHN R. THORNTON
ASSISTANT DIST. ATTY.

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ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY
CHILTON COUNTY
CLANTON, ALABAMA

WILLIAM A. NEWSBY
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY
AUTAUGA COUNTY
PRATTVILLE, ALABAMA

April 26, 1985

Sgt. Bob Prince
Williamson County Sheriff's Office
312 N. Main Street
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Re: Henry Lee Lucas

Dear Sgt. Prince:

On February 1, 1985, the Elmore County Grand Jury indicted the above named subject for kidnapping and murdering a woman named Bernice Harris. Her body was found on August 16, 1980 in Millbrook, Alabama and the State of Alabama had no leads whatsoever until Lucas confessed to the murder. The officers from the Alabama Bureau of Investigation who were sent to interview Lucas along with the Sheriff of Elmore County, Sidney Thrash were sure enough of the truth of his confession to recommend that the case be presented to a grand jury. I have personally viewed the video of the interview and am convinced that there is no way that he could have possibly known the details that he knew if he had not committed the murder. The Grand Jury was also sure enough of the facts to return an indictment.

I have complete confidence in the investigation that was conducted in this case and intend to prosecute this case if we can get the subject back to Alabama.

If you have any questions concerning our position in this matter or if our office can ever be of any assistance to you, please feel free to call. I appreciate all of the help that you have given us in this case.

Sincerely,


Janice Clardy Williams,
Chief Assistant District Attorney

JCW/dn

cc: Ted Payne
ABI



Commercial Metals Company
Florida Division

P. O. Box 8958 Zip 32205
Jacksonville, Florida

2038 N. Lane Avenue
904-786-2771

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H. LUCAS

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE GOOD RIGHT & TITLE TO
THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE WHICH I HEREBY SOLD

PAYMENT

[Signature]

SIGNATURE



Commercial Metals Company
Florida Division

P. O. Box 6956 Zip 32205
Jacksonville, Florida

2038 N. Lane Avenue
904-786-2771

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE GOOD RIGHT & TITLE TO
THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE WHICH IS HEREBY SOLD.

PAYMENT SIGNATURE



13
CONFESSIONSINFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

10/4 #134
Beth R. Umolac
(Removed)
Ozaudee County, WI
W/F/19
Raped vaginally and
anally; Multiple
stab wounds.

Comments: Case never closed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #124

COMMENTS:

On 6-12-84, Detective Allen Woda, Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office, Port Washington, Wisconsin, provided the Task Force with clearance information regarding this homicide with Lucas responsible.

A letter dated 12-12-85 was received wherein Detective Woda explained that Lucas was still the number one suspect in this homicide. Attached Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire mailed to Woda in March, 1985 was returned with further confirmation that case had been cleared.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

124A Task Force Synopsis

124B Letter dated 12-12-85 from Detective Woda

124C Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire

Box 3
#124



FERNANDO PEREZ, SHERIFF
COUNTY OF OZAUKEE

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
Telephone 284-5575 or 377-5820
129 WEST MAIN STREET
PORT WASHINGTON, WISCONSIN 53074



124th SESSION

December 12, 1985

Sgt. Bobby Prince
State of Texas
Department of Public Safety
Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773

Dear Sgt. Prince:

I am writing to you in response to your inquiry about our homicide case that HENRY LEE LUCAS has confessed to committing. This homicide case is that of a white female by the name of BETH RENEE UMOLAC, who was found deceased shortly after her demise on October 05, 1980.

After numerous reviews of both the video tape interview which was conducted by myself and a taped interview conducted by you, and reviewing the facts of the case itself, reporting officer believes that HENRY LEE LUCAS remains our number one suspect in this homicide case.

LUCAS knew many facts of the case which only the party responsible for the act would know. His description of the area which included road conditions and lay-out of structures and particular items in the area; his knowledge of the inflicted fatal wounds and other wounds on the deceased and how they occurred, all fit our homicide. LUCAS appears to have too much knowledge about our homicide. Although he could have read about the case in a news article, the knowledge he had would only have been available to a party that was at the scene itself.

Our agency has been following the articles as best we can in the Dallas Times Herald Newspaper and even in their accounts of where LUCAS & TOOLE were on dates in 1980, (re: news article of Sunday, April 14, 1985) no one is able to account for his possible whereabouts between September 30, 1980 and November 21, 1980.

The status of our case remains open, for as any police officer knows, the case is never closed until the suspect in the matter is brought to trial and convicted of the offense he is charged with.

Our agency again, wishes to thank you and your Task Force for all the information you have supplied in the past. I feel this complete matter was handled in a very professional manner.

Continued success and Happy Holidays to you, your family and your agency.

Respectfully,

Fernando Perez, Sheriff

Allan L. Woda
Allan L. Woda, Detective

ALW:sma

LUCAS HOMICIDE TASK FORCE

REQUEST: To all Law Enforcement Agencies that have cleared homicide case(s) involving Henry Lee Lucas.

FROM: Lucas Homicide Task Force

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A MAN-HOUR BREAKDOWN, SHOWING THE APPROXIMATE MAN-HOURS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPENDED DURING YOUR INVESTIGATIONS.

PLEASE LIST

Total number of offenses cleared (1) ONE
Total man-hours expended (approximate)..... 3,120 Hrs.
Total approximate cost of operations \$40,440.00
(if possible)
Name of victim(s).....1. BETH R. UMOLAC
.....2.
Date of offense(s).....1. 10-05-80
.....2.
Agency and Address... Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department
129 W. Main Street, Port Washington, WI 53074
Officer Submitting... Detective Allan L. Woda *by Gary S. Langlais*
Psychological Profile Obtained.....YES XNO

NOTE: Please return this brief form to the Lucas Homicide Task Force.

PLEASE MAIL:

Lucas Homicide Task Force
312 N. Main
c/o Williamson County Sheriff's Office
Georgetown, Texas 78626



Ozaukee County Sheriff's Dept.

GARY S. LANGLAIS
CHIEF DEPUTY

Office 414-284-5575
Res. 414-284-0297

129 W. Main Street
Port Washington, WI
53074



CONFESSIONS

INFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

10/22 #2
Unknown
(Removed)
Tonopah, NV
W/M/50 to 51 YOA
Four (4) gunshot
wounds to head.

Frank and Frieda Powell present in
school. Toole working in
Jacksonville. Toole working in
Jacksonville, FL. Lucas signed FL
Food Stamp program documents.
Body found this date. Comment:
Case never closed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #125

COMMENTS:

On 11-29-83, John Compston, Criminal Investigator with the Nevada
Division of Investigation, provided the Task Force with clearance
information with Lucas being responsible.

The Attorney General's report shows the case has been removed, which is
incorrect. As late as 2-7-86, Agent Compston gave verbal confirmation
that Lucas is still considered probably responsible for homicide.
Letter dated 2-13-86 from Nevada Division of Investigation is attached.
Also attached is Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire mailed Compston in
March, 1985 which was returned with further confirmation that the case
had been cleared.

CONFLICT: No conflict. Metal records from Jacksonville, Florida
indicate Lucas sold scrap metal on 10-21-80. Since this
body was partially decomposed, this would seem to somewhat
negate this conflict.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 125A Task Force Summary
- 125B Task Force Interview Log
- 125C Letter dated 2-13-86 from Nevada Division of Investigation
- 125D Man-Hour/Expense Questionnaire

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#2 Date: Body Found 10-22-80 Location: Nye County, Nevada
Victim: Unidentified white male, age 50-55

Offense occurred in rural area of U.S. Highway 95 near Tonopah, Nevada. Body was partly decomposed. Victim had received four gunshot wounds to the head. Homicide confirmed by John Compston, Nevada Division of Investigation. Offense cleared 11-29-83.



DEPARTMENT OF
MOTOR VEHICLES AND PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

555 Wright Way

Carson City, Nevada 89711-0100

February 13, 1986

Sgt. Bob Prince
Texas Rangers
Box 4087
Austin, TX 78773

Dear Sgt. Prince:

On February 7, 1986, Investigator John Compston received a call from Texas Ranger Clayton Smith regarding the status of (2) two Nevada cases which Henry Lucas had previously admitted committing. One was identified as John Doe - Fallon and one as John Doe - Nye. Both of these cases have been placed on an inactive status because the identity is still unknown on both victims. It is the belief of this office and the administration of each of the county jurisdictions involved, that Lucas was responsible for these crimes.

Very truly yours,

Wayne R. Teglia, Director


By: David Haneline, Chief

DH:FA:cb

LUCAS HOMICIDE TASK FORCE

REQUEST: To all Law Enforcement Agencies that have cleared homicide case(s) involving Henry Lee Lucas.

FROM: Lucas Homicide Task Force

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST A MAN-HOUR BREAKDOWN, SHOWING THE APPROXIMATE MAN-HOURS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPENDED DURING YOUR INVESTIGATIONS.

PLEASE LIST

Total number of offenses cleared 2

Total man-hours expended (approximate)..... EXCESS OF 500

Total approximate cost of operations \$10,000.00
(if possible)

Name of victim(s)..... 1. JOHN DOE - CHURCHILL

..... 2. JOHN DOE - NYE

Date of offense(s)..... 1. BODY FOUND AUG. 30, 1980

..... 2. BODY FOUND OCT. 22, 1980

- Took in Nye
NR 2, 112

Agency and Address... NEVADA DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION 555 WRIGHT WAY

CARSON CITY
NEVADA 89701

Officer Submitting... JOHN COMPTON

Psychological Profile Obtained.....YES.....NO X

NOTE: Please return this brief form to the Lucas Homicide Task Force.

PLEASE MAIL:

Lucas Homicide Task Force
312 N. Main
c/o Williamson County Sheriff's Office
Georgetown, Texas 78626



15
CONFESSIONSINFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

7/11 #53

Comment: Case never closed.

Mary Kaufman

(Removed)

Tulsa, OK

W/F/64

Multiple stab wounds,

Body burned.

Accomplice: Toole only.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #159

COMMENTS:

Task Force records do not reflect Lucas confessing to this offense as indicated by the Attorney General's report. Lucas has not been shown as confirmed nor as a suspect. Task Force records have shown Toole only as confirmed in this offense.

The Attorney General's report states this offense has been removed, which is incorrect. On 2-7-86, Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department Detective Chamblin stated he still believed Toole was responsible for homicide. A letter dated 2-8-86 from Detective Chamblin was received by the Task Force indicating confirmation information.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed. Toole only.

ATTACHMENTS:

159A Task Force Synopsis

159B Letter dated 2-8-86 from Tulsa, Oklahoma Police Department

159C Task Force Travel Log regarding Lucas

159D Task Force Travel Log regarding Toole

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#53 Date: 7-11-81

Location: Tulsa, Oklahoma

Victim: Mary Kaufman, w/f, 64

Victim was a resident of the Fox Rooming House and Ottis Toole was also a resident there. He broke into the victim's room, stabbed her numerous times, and attempted to burn the body. Tulsa Police interviewed Toole at time of offense, however, were unaware of his previous homicides.

During the month of September, 1984, Tulsa, Oklahoma P.D. officers re-interviewed Toole in Jacksonville, Florida, at which time he admitted the stabbing death of the victim and the arson which followed.

Offense cleared by Tulsa, Oklahoma S.O. and Jacksonville, Florida S.O.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE



600 CIVIC CENTER

TULSA, OKLAHOMA

74103

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Sgt. Prince

At your offices request I am forwarding information on the status of two homicide cases which occurred in Tulsa with Otis E. Toole as the suspect. These cases are Charles Henry Weight, case file 474713, and Mary Coffman, case file number 399352.

Enclosed you will find a clearance request on the Weight case showing it exceptionally cleared. A clearance request could not be located on the Coffman case, however the case log indicates that it was also cleared in the same manner as the Weight case showing Toole as the suspect.

Exceptionally cleared cases are those cases that the perpetrator is known but charges will not be filed. In both of these cases they cleared in this manner due to the fact that Toole will probably never be brought to Oklahoma for trial due to the number of convictions that he has already drawn in other states.

If I can be of any further assistance in this matter, or any other, please feel free to call.

Respectfully;

Phil Camblin
Det. Off. Phil Camblin

DAY	LUCAS	ACTIVITY	MONTH	JULY	YEAR	1981
1		TOOLE'S relative reported the theft of a 1972 Ford PU bearing Florida Lic. STE 113 this date. Travelers Aid in Wilmington, Delaware paid for motel room.				
2		Made application for food stamps in Wilmington, Delaware.				
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7		Philadelphia, Penn PD made NCIC inquiry.				
8		Notification (possibly by mail) that 1972 Ford PU stolen on 7-1-81 was recovered in Delaware.				
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10						
11		Supposedly lived in woods camp near Wilmington, Delaware. Suspect in death of White Female in Wilmington, Delaware.				
12						
13		Confirmed murder of ELVIN V. FUSTER, WM, 12-22-61 in Jefferson County, Colorado. Shot with .22 caliber once in head. TOOLE possibly involved. Body found this date.				
14						
15						
16						
17						
18						
19		State Police at Camden, Delaware, made NCIC inquiry.				
20						
21		Supposedly in the Millsboro, Delaware and Salisbury, Maryland, area.				
22		Arrested by the Maryland State Police in Pikesville, Maryland.				
23		In custody - Cecil County, Maryland.				
24	"	"	"	"	"	"
25	"	"	"	"	"	"
26	"	"	"	"	"	"
27	"	"	"	"	"	"
28	"	"	"	"	"	"
29	"	"	"	"	"	"
30	"	"	"	"	"	"
31	"	"	"	"	"	"

DAY	TOOLE	ACTIVITY	MONTH	JULY	YEAR	1981
1	Report of a stolen 1972 Ford PU bearing Florida Lic. STE 111 from TOOLE'S relative made in Florida. Travelers Aid paid for motel room in Wilmington, Delaware.					
2	Made application for welfare assistance in Wilmington, Delaware.					
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8	Notification (possibly by mail) that 1972 Ford PU stolen on 7-1-81 was recovered in Delaware.					
9						
10						
11	Confirmed murder of MARY COFFMAN, WF-64 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Occurred at rooming house. Multiple stab wounds and body burned. TOOLE resided at rooming house at the time.					
12						
13	Possibly involved with LUCAS in murder of ELVIN V. FUSTER, WM, 12-22-61 in Jefferson County, Colorado. Shot with .22 caliber once in the head. Body found this date.					
14						
15	Jacksonville, Florida, SO made NCIC inquiry.					
16						
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21	Supposedly in the Millsboro, Delaware, and Salisbury, Maryland, area. State Police at Georgetown, Delaware, made NCIC inquiry.					
22	In Riverside Hospital in Newport News, Virginia. State Police at Georgetown, Delaware, made NCIC inquiry.					
23	Released from hospital in Newport News, Virginia. Departed on bus.					
24						
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27	Strong suspect in death of ADAM WALSH in Hollywood, Florida.					
28						
29						
30						
31	TOOLE & wife rented a room in Jacksonville, Florida.					



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CONFESSIONS

INFORMATION DEVELOPED THROUGH
INVESTIGATION

10/2 #63

Gloria Stepan
(Removed)
Conroe, TX
W/F/32
Raped; Stabbed in
neck.

Sussex, New Brunswick, Canada
made NCIC inquiry on Toole.
Comment: Indictment dismissed.

D.P.S. RESPONSE #206

COMMENTS:

Prior to the formation of the Task Force, Sheriff Joe Corley, Montgomery County Sheriff's Department, cleared this homicide with Lucas being responsible. Lucas was indicted for this offense. In a plea bargain arrangement, this indictment was dismissed in exchange for guilty pleas, and Lucas received two life sentences in two unrelated homicides in Montgomery County. The investigating officers still feel Lucas is responsible. Refer to attached letter from Judge James H. Keeshan, who was the District Attorney during the above described legal proceedings.

CURRENT STATUS: Still confirmed. Has not been removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

296A Task Force Synopsis

296B Letter from Judge James H. Keeshan

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Following will be a synopsis of each offense which has been confirmed and cleared by suspect Henry Lucas since the inception of the DPS Homicide Task Force between the dates stated above.

#13 Date: 10-2-82 Location: Montgomery County, Texas
Victim: Gloria Ann Stepan, w/f, 32

The nude body of the victim was discovered 10-2-83 one-half mile south of FM 1488 northwest of Magnolia, Texas. Victim had been stabbed in the neck and had been raped. The victim's 1972 white Ford Station Wagon was recovered near Fredericksburg, Texas.

Lucas admitted that he had killed this victim, and led officers to the location where he had left the body, further describing the position in which he had left it.

Offense cleared 8-16-83 by Texas Ranger Tommy Walker, Livingston, Texas.



JAMES H. KEESHAN
JUDGE, 359th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE
CONROE, TEXAS 77301

(409) 756-0571

March 20, 1986

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Re: Henry Lee Lucas - Montgomery County,
Texas - Cause No. 17000; 17001; 17002

During the period from September 1, 1975 until September 1, 1985, I served as the District Attorney for the Ninth District, which includes Montgomery County. During 1984, my office prosecuted cases involving Henry Lee Lucas as a defendant, resulting in guilty pleas in Cause No. 17001 and 17002, and a dismissal in Cause No. 17000.

The circumstances as I recall, involved the discovery of the bodies of three murdered females in Montgomery County, to-wit: Laura Denez, Cause No. 17001, found murdered on or about April 16, 1983; Loria Stepan, Cause No. 17000, found murdered on or about October 2, 1982; and an unknown white female, Cause No. 17002, found murdered on or about March 17, 1983. In each case, there were indications of kidnapping and sexual assault prior to the murder which was committed either by strangulation or stabbing, or both.

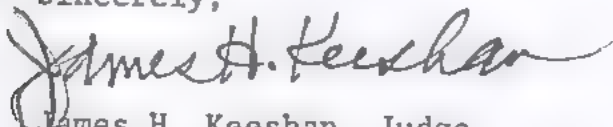
As I recall, it was probably early in 1984 when the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department gained custody of Henry Lee Lucas from Montague County and interviewed him concerning the three homicides. Mr. Lucas confessed in writing to each of the murders, and led Montgomery County officers to the locations where he had "dumped" the bodies (which coincided with the places in which the bodies had been discovered). I personally had confidence in the accuracy of Mr. Lucas' confessions because the homicides appeared consistent with the actions of a "serial killer", because of Lucas' accuracy in leading the officers to the points at which the bodies were found, and because of my confidence in the officers involved, including Montgomery County Sheriff, Joe Corley. In addition, when Lucas led officers to two of the locations, defense attorney William E. Hall was present, and he personally assured me that the officers had been cautious not to prompt Lucas in any way in the search for the "dump sites".

When the cases were formally disposed of by guilty pleas and the dismissal, I believed that it was appropriate to reduce two of the charges from capital murder to murder, recommending life in prison as a punishment because (1) the death penalty had already

been assessed against Lucas in a previous Texas conviction and (2) our local case load could ill afford the addition of three lengthy capital murder trials. The third case was dismissed simply as a result of a proposed plea bargain. I had been inclined to dismiss the case involving the unidentified female, Cause No. 17002, but ended up dismissing the Gloria Stepan murder, Cause No. 17000 instead, because Lucas suggested to his attorney, Mr. Hall, and stated in my presence, that some of his friends had suggested to Mr. Lucas that he had a partial alibi for the time period involved in the Stepan case. Lucas briefly elaborated that, although he initially thought he had in fact committed the Stepan homicide, he was not so sure any more, since his friends had suggested it was unlikely that he was in Montgomery County on that date.

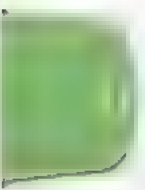
In conclusion, I am not aware of any improper inducements or suggestions occurring during the investigation or in the plea bargain process involved with any of these three cases. Admittedly, the cases depended for evidence primarily on the admissions and written confessions of Henry Lee Lucas himself. However, in view of my own confidence in the investigators, as further supported by the comments of Mr. Hall, I had no reservations concerning the guilt of Mr. Lucas.

Sincerely,



James H. Keeshan, Judge
359th Judicial District

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date 06-12-85

TO: A. F. Hacker, Chief, Criminal Law Enforcement

Division Rangers

FROM: H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain

SUBJECT: Examination of Article in Dallas Times Herald, 06-09-85

The following represents an examination of cases where Rangers were involved as published in the Dallas Times Herald on 06-09-85. The examination was limited to the following areas: (1) Evidence available to prove or disprove, (2) Scope of our involvement, and (3) if Lucas is still considered a suspect.

1. Victim: Beverly Luttrell, Odessa, Texas. Investigated by Odessa Police Department, Ranger David Byrnes and Ranger C. J. Havrda. Date of offense: between 03-12-81 and 03-13-81.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Led officers to scene.
- b. Method of death: Corroborated - stabbed. Bloody knife at scene. Also strangled with telephone cord.
- c. Lucas identified victim in photo lineup.
- d. Lucas claims to have cut or bite on victim's breasts and victim's nipples were severed.
- e. This is a partial listing of evidence. A total of 12 points exist.

B. Scope of Involvement

1. Major role: Ranger Byrnes was involved with the original on-the-scene investigation and Ranger Havrda later interviewed Lucas.

C. Case Status - confirmed.

1. Lucas is still considered a suspect and is charged with murder in Ector County. The District Attorney is considering dismissal due to a faulty indictment.

D. General Information

1. The news article shows an offense date of March 3, 1981, which was probably due to a typographical error on the Task Force synopsis which listed the March 3rd date. The correct date should be between March 12, 1981 and March 13, 1981.

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2. Victim: Deion Marie Wilkinson, Fort Bend County, Texas. Listed as being investigated by Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office and Ranger Milton Wright. Date of offense: 03-04-81.

This offense should not have been carried by the Task Force Synopsis as being cleared by Ranger Milton Wright. Ranger Wright only obtained information requested by the Task Force from the Sheriff's Department and had no other involvement in the investigation of this case.

3. Victim: Estella Montoya, Corpus Christi, Texas. Investigated by Corpus Christi Police Department and Ranger Jim Peters. Date of offense: 03-05-81.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Led officers to scene when officers only knew general location.
- b. Picked photograph of victim from several photographs.
- c. Points of confession corroborated.
- d. Described manner of death - stab wounds.

2. Negative

- a. None noted.

B. Scope of our involvement

1. Minor role: Ranger Peters interviewed Lucas in Georgetown and then arranged a trip to Corpus Christi. Ranger Peters was present when officers were led back to the scene. There was no initial involvement on the part of the Rangers.

C. Case Status - confirmed.

1. Ranger Peters feels that Lucas is still a suspect; however, since he only played a minor role, the Police Department needs to investigate further.

4. Victim: Unknown - Body found 11-01-80. Listed as investigated by Walker County Sheriff's Office and Ranger Wesley Styles.

This case was another example of information being obtained by a Ranger from the Sheriff's Department where the Ranger was listed as the clearing officer. Ranger Styles only relayed information and was in no way involved in the investigation. The Task Force Synopsis was corrected and the case was removed as cleared.

5. Victim: Donna Mae Inlow. Date: 04-27-81. Investigated by Brownwood Police Department, Texas Ranger Norman Autrey, and Ranger Charles Brune.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Returned to crime scene by Lucas even though the scene was no longer a shoe store and is now a tire store.
- b. Lucas recalled the front door knob being rattled after locking, which is consistent with witness information.
- c. Exit through rear door which was left open.
- d. Method of death consistent with evidence.
- e. Five points in statement corroborated.

2. Negative

- a. Blood Antigen "B" found at scene remains unexplained.
- b. Hair samples on victim remain unexplained.
- c. Incorrect diagram of store made by Lucas.

B. Scope of our involvement

- 1. Major role: Ranger Autrey has been involved since the beginning of the investigation. Ranger Brune interviewed Toole in Florida and Ranger Autrey has accompanied Lucas back to the crime scene. Ranger Autrey has also had Toole back in Brownwood.

C. Case Status - confirmed.

- 1. Lucas, as well as Toole, is considered a suspect. The District Attorney wants the question as to the Blood Antigen answered before proceeding with indictments.

6. Victim: Curby Reeves, Smith County, Texas. Investigated by Smith County Sheriff's Office and Ranger Stuart Dowell. Date of offense: 09-09-75.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Led officers to scene in spite of fact that the terrain had changed drastically.
- b. Method of death: corroborated - gunshot to head.
- c. Statement corroborated.

2. Negative

- a. None noted.

B. Scope of our involvement

- 1. Major role: Ranger Dowell was involved early in the investigation. Ranger Dowell accompanied Lucas back to the scene when he spontaneously related this offense. Lucas was being questioned concerning other offenses when he provided information on this case.

C. Case Status - confirmed.

- 1. Lucas is still considered a suspect. There has been no court action.

D. General Information

- 1. Lucas claims that Toole committed this homicide outside his presence but was present at the scene.

- 7. Victim: Yolanda H. Garcia, Zavala County, Texas. Investigated by Zavala County Sheriff's Office and Ranger H. Joaquin Jackson. Date of offense: 04-18-79.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Led to scene to Lucas and Toole on separate occasions.
- b. Described victim's vehicle.
- c. Described groceries in vehicle.
- d. Identified photo of victim.
- e. Recall of the scene lay-out was extremely good.
- f. Recalled correctly that Toole stuck victim's vehicle near scene.

2. Negative

- a. Lucas first stated he saw the victim after death but later stated he had not.

B. Scope of our involvement

- 1. Major role: Ranger Jackson has accompanied both Lucas and Toole to the scene of this offense. Ranger Jackson has been involved in this investigation since near the beginning.

C. Case Status - confirmed.

- 1. Lucas is still considered a suspect and stands indicted in Zavala County for murder. Lucas has refused to plead to murder but has indicated a desire to plead for kidnapping since Toole did the actual murder.

8. Victim unknown (previously carried as Stephanie Lee Smith), Polk County, Texas. Investigated by Polk County Sheriff's Office and Ranger Tommy Walker. Date of offense: unknown since the body was decomposed. Discovered 11-25-77.

This is a case that is being called cleared by the Polk County Sheriff's Office and Ranger Tommy Walker and should not be carried as such. Ranger Walker only arranged for Lucas to be brought to Polk County and had no other involvement in the investigation.

9. Victim: Dianne Lynn Bryant, Brownfield, Texas. Investigated by Brownfield Police Department and Ranger Jackie Peoples.

A. Evidence

1. Positive

- a. Led officers to general area but could not pick apartment.
- b. Described method of death - killed with vacuum cleaner cord.
- c. Victim had been raped, then dressed.
- d. Described furniture - glass-topped table.
- e. Described victim.
- f. Other points of statement corroborated.

2. Negative

- a. Failed to identify exact apartment.
- b. Stated jewelry taken.

B. Scope of our involvement

1. Ranger Peoples has been involved in the investigation since near the beginning. Ranger Peoples also accompanied Lucas back to the vicinity of the crime scene and assisted with the taking of a statement.

C. Case Status

1. Lucas has pled guilty and has been sentenced to 75 years.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. Block
Senior Ranger Captain
Texas Ranger Service

By: Maurice C. Cook
Assistant Supervisor
Texas Ranger Service

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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Date 06-28-85

TO: Captain H. R. "Lefty" Block, Senior Ranger Captain Division 735

FROM: Charles A. Moore, Jr., Captain, Co. "C", Texas Rangers

SUBJECT: Henry Lee Lucas cases mentioned in Dallas Times Herald article

Dianne Lynn Bryant, white female, 17 years of age, who resided at 306 Mesquite Street, Brownfield, was murdered on April 16, 1981.

On May 17, 1984, Henry Lee Lucas was brought to Brownfield by Ranger Jackie Peoples and Lubbock Detective George White. After arriving in Brownfield, Lucas directed them to the apartment complex where the murder occurred. Traveling to the Police station, Chief of Police Churchwell and Ranger Peoples interviewed Lucas. The information developed by the interview and directions given by Lucas to the apartment complex can be corroborated by a minimum of eleven (11) points. (Documented by previous reports by Ranger Peoples and written statement by Lucas)

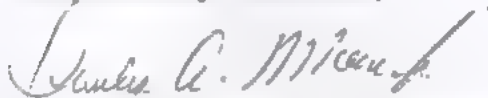
On August 10, 1984, Lucas was indicted by the Terry County Grand Jury. On September 20, 1984, Lucas was tried, found guilty and given seventy five (75) years in Texas Department of Corrections.

The Dallas Times Herald article dated June 9, 1985 stated Lucas sold scrap metal in Jacksonville, Florida on the date of this offense. I understand the handwriting will be compared.

The Chief of Police and the District Attorney are convinced Lucas committed the murder.

Ranger Peoples is a seasoned, experienced criminal investigator and, in my opinion, the possibility of Lucas not committing the murder is very remote.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles A. Moore, Jr., Captain,
Company "C", Texas Rangers
Lubbock, Texas

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Date 05-28-85

TO: H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain, Austin Division CLE

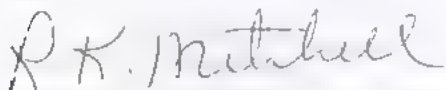
FROM: Robert K. Mitchell, Captain, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: Offenses in Company "F" area in which Lucas has been confirmed as being involved in homicides and in which Rangers had major role in investigations

Sgt. Bob Prince and writer have reviewed files in which Henry Lee Lucas has been determined as being involved. We are in agreement that the investigations are complete, and no further action needs to be taken, and all files are up-to-date.

1. Synopsis No. 10
Company "F" File No. F-83-349
Headquarters File No. C-082
Unidentified White Female
Offense occurred in Bastrop County, Texas
Body Discovered 06-21-79
Ranger Clayton Smith, Investigator
2. Synopsis No. 46
Company "F" File No. F-83-042
Headquarters File No. C-010
Marie Clark, Victim
Offense occurred in San Saba, Texas
Date: 10-11-82
Ranger Stan Guffey, Investigator
3. Synopsis No. 33
Company "F" File No. F-84-027
Headquarters File No. C-008
Rodney Allan Cass, Victim
Offense occurred Cherokee County
Date: 08-02-82
Ranger J. R. Brownlow, Investigator

Respectfully submitted,



ROBERT K. MITCHELL, Captain
Texas Rangers, Co. "F"
Waco, Texas

RKM:am

CASES CLEARED BY RANGER PERSONNEL AS LEAD INVESTIGATION

1. Synopsis #8 VICTIM: Armando Alvarez, Hispanic male, 34 - Murder
DATE: 07-09-82 LOCATION: Kleberg County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Kasey King on 12-05-83
2. Synopsis #10 VICTIM: Unidentified White Female - Murder
DATE: 06-21-79 LOCATION: Bastrop County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Clayton Smith on 12-13-83
3. Synopsis #24 VICTIM: Deborah K. Sheppard, White Female, 25 - Assault
DATE: 10-04-78 LOCATION: Galveston County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Sergeant Bobby Prince on 12-30-83
4. Synopsis #40 VICTIM: Cecil Chester Manley, White Male, 57 - Murder
DATE: 01-18-79 LOCATION: Marion County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Max Womack on 01-19-84
5. Synopsis #46 VICTIM: Marie Clark, White Female, 73 - Murder
DATE: 10-11-82 LOCATION: San Saba County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Stan Guffey on
6. Synopsis #47 VICTIM: Yolanda Garcia, White Female, 24 - Murder
DATE: 04-18-79 LOCATION: Uvalde County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Joaquin Jackson on
7. Synopsis #50 VICTIM: Robert L. Hie, White Male, 25 - Murder
DATE: 09-78 LOCATION: Pecos County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Joe Coleman on
8. Synopsis #76 VICTIM: William Boyd Hite, White Male, 22 - Murder
DATE: 06-01-82 LOCATION: Howard County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Charles Brune on
9. Synopsis #79 VICTIM: Happy Howry, White Male, 68 - Murder
DATE: 04-25-82 LOCATION: Howard County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Charles Brune on
10. Synopsis #84 VICTIM: Frieda (Becky) Powell, White Female, 15 - Murder
DATE: 08-24-82 LOCATION: Denton County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Phil Ryan on 06- -83
11. Synopsis #86 VICTIM: Kate P. Rich, White Female, 80 - Murder
DATE: 09-16-82 LOCATION: Montague County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Phil Ryan on 06-16-83
12. Synopsis #106 VICTIM: Unidentified White Female, 20 - Murder
DATE: 06-04-81 LOCATION: Comal County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Ray Martinez on 04-17-84
13. Synopsis #117 VICTIM: Unidentified White Female, 17 - Murder
DATE: 06-16-81 LOCATION: Grimes County
AUTHORITY FOR CLEARANCE: Ranger Bill Quinn on 05-15-84

VIII. DIFFERENT LEVELS OF INVOLVEMENT BY THE TEXAS RANGERS
by synopsis number
(Texas Cases Only)

	(13) <u>Lead Investigation</u>	(37) <u>Investigation Less Involved</u>	(31) <u>Only provided security to return to scene</u>
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date 1-31-86

TO: H. R. Block, Senior Ranger Captain, Austin Division CLE

FROM: Bob Prince, Sergeant, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: (1) Cases in which Texas Rangers had major role in investigation - 23 Homicides/3 Non Homicides*

(2) Conflicts in cases where Texas Rangers had major role in investigations which may be addressed in Attorney General's report

(1) Cases in which Texas Rangers had major role in investigation:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SYNOPSIS NO.</u>	<u>VICTIM</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>RANGER</u>
8-9-70	SYN-38	Linda Phillips	Kaufman County	Stuart Dowell
1-31-71	SYN-120	Naomi Martin	Lubbock	Jackie Peoples
8-24-75	SYN-118	Deborah Williamson	Lubbock	Jackie Peoples
9-9-75	SYN-37	Curby Reeves	Smith County	Stuart Dowell
4-10-76	SYN-119	Elizabeth Price	Lubbock	Jackie Peoples
11-1-77	SYN-39	Lillie Darty	Harrison County	Glenn Elliott
2-2-78	SYN-103	Victorio Solano*	Colo./N.M.	Bob Prince
Approx. 8-19-78	SYN-50	Robert Hie	Pecos County	Joe Coleman
10-4-78	SYN-24	Debra Sheppard*	High Island	Bob Prince
4-18-79	SYN-47	Yolanda Garcia	Uvalde	Joaquin Jackson
11-28-80	SYN-62	Unidentified W/F	Live Oak Co.	Glenn Krueger
3-13-81	SYN-16	Beverly Luttrell w/f	Odessa, Tx.	C. J. Havrda
4-26-81	SYN-136	Dianne Bryant	Terry County	Jackie Peoples
4-27-81	SYN-12	Donna Inlow	Brownwood	Norman Autrey
6-4-81	SYN-106	Unidentified w/f	Comal County	Ray Martinez
Skeletal Remains Found				
10-29-81	SYN-117	Unidentified w/f	Grimes County	Bill Quinn
2-16-82	SYN-70	Unidentified w/f	Hale County	Jim Mull
4-25-82	SYN-79	Happy Howry	Big Spring	Charles Brune
7-9-82	SYN-8	Armando Alvarez	Kleberg County	Kasey King

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SYNOPSIS NO.</u>	<u>VICTIM</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>RANGER</u>
7-29-82	SYN-33	Rodney Cass	Cherokee Co.	Ronnie Brownlow
8-16-82	SYN-11	Jan Hudson	Rusk County	Stuart Dowell
8-24-82	SYN-84	Freida Powell	Denton County	Phil Ryan
8-28-82	SYN-155	Unidentified w/m	Hitchcock	Joe Haralson
9-4-82	SYN-210	Marcie Gillen*	Pensacola, Fla.	Glenn Krueger/ Clayton Smith
9-16-82	SYN-86	Kate Rich	Montague County	Phil Ryan
12-19-82	SYN-139	Glenna Biggers	Hale County	Jim Mull

- (2) Conflicts in cases Texas Rangers had major role in investigations which may be addressed in Attorney General's report

8-25-75 SYN-118 Deborah Williamson Lubbock, Texas

Conflicts will indicate Lucas was in Maryland with relatives at the time this offense occurred. This information is addressed in detail in memos from Texas Ranger Jackie Peoples.

Charges have been dismissed.

9-9-75 SYN-37 Curby Reeves Smith County

Conflict which will possibly be alluded to by the Attorney General's report will indicate Lucas received a pay check on 9-8-75 while working at a mushroom farm in Pennsylvania. Ranger Dowell has conferred with Pennsylvania Trooper John Campbell reference this information, and from data received from Trooper Campbell reference the work records in Pennsylvania, Dowell is still of the opinion Lucas was involved in this offense.

Lucas had been transported to Smith County to interview with Ranger Dowell and Smith County officers reference several homicides. While they were traveling on I-20 Lucas directed Ranger Dowell to exit at a truck stop then began describing the homicide of victim Reeves.

Victim had been shot in the head. Lucas described this was done while victim was performing oral sex. This type crime is common in numerous other offenses in which Lucas and Toole are allegedly involved. Lucas then directed officer from the truck stop to the location where the homicide occurred.

It is unknown whether Toole was with Lucas at the time of this incident, however, Lucas stated he was.

1-10-76

SYN-119

Elizabeth Price

Lubbock, Texas

Conflicts will indicate Lucas was in Maryland with relatives at the time this offense occurred.

Lubbock investigators, including Texas Ranger Jackie Peoples, interviewed Lucas and believe there was sufficient information to indicate Lucas was involved in this homicide, as he pointed out the crime scene location and described the area around the location which had been drastically changed since the time of the homicide.

Charges have been dismissed in this offense.

4-18-79

SYN-47

Yolanda Garcia

Uvalde, Texas

Conflict on this offense which will probably be addressed by Attorney General's report will indicate that Lucas was working at the South-eastern Color Coating Roofing Company in Jacksonville, Florida on the date of the homicide. The accuracy of the work records has been challenged and it has been determined that some work records are inaccurate and some probably accurate.

In this offense the victim was abducted in a parking lot in Uvalde by two men. Investigating officers which included Joaquin Jackson believed Lucas was responsible due to the fact he had accurate knowledge of the offense.

Lucas described where the victim was taken and killed, pointing it out on a map and described the type vehicle she was driving and the color. He also described the contents of a grocery sack which victim had. The contents were later confirmed by investigators.

Lucas personally pointed out the crime scene to investigators.

3-13-81

SYN-16

Beverly Luttrell

Odessa, Texas

The Attorney General's report will probably address that a commercial metal record indicates Lucas sold materials on 3-13-81 in Jacksonville, Florida.

Lucas told Ranger Ryan on 6-22-83 that he had killed a lady in West Texas in a house trailer.

Ranger Ryan contacted Ranger Havrda who was unfamiliar with an offense matching the details Lucas gave however, he contacted Odessa P.D. who gave details of the Luttrell case.

Lucas gave several crime scene details that Havrda was able to corroborate with crime scene photos.

When Havrda and a Odessa detective interviewed Lucas it was apparent that Lucas knew more of the offense than the officers did. Lucas was eventually transported to Odessa where he pointed out the crime scene.

2-16-82

SYN-70

Unidentified White Female Hale County

The Attorney General's report possibly may address that Lucas was in Hemet, California from the first week of February, 1982 through May 22, 1982, was with Jack Smart, was without a car, and was also working for Jack Smart, who stated Lucas never left Hemet.

Criminal records indicate Jack Smart is a convicted felon. Lucas has stated to Task Force officers that Jack Smart is involved in a large amount of narcotics trafficking and also is involved in homicides. This information has not been confirmed.

Information the Task Force has which is contradictory to Jack Smart's statement is as follows:

- 2-12-82 Lucas in Covington, Louisiana involved in homicide of Roxanne Sharp. Lucas personally led officers from four different agencies to the crime scene.
- 4-17-72 Information from Hobbs, New Mexico indicates Lucas was involved in homicide of Barbara Begley. Lucas has been identified by two eye witnesses as being in Hobbs, New Mexico when homicide occurred.
- 4-25-72 Big Spring, Texas records indicate Lucas involved in homicide of Happy Howry.

8-28-82

SYN-155

Unidentified White Male Hitchcock

Conflict which will probably be addressed is that homicide occurring in Hitchcock was on the same day of homicide which has been linked to Lucas in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana; Kenneth Broyles, victim. The distance between the two locations is approximately 200 miles, and the homicides could easily have occurred on the same date.

Bob Prince
Bob Prince, Sergeant
Texas Rangers, Co. "F"
Waco, Texas

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Date 12-4-85

TO: H. R. BLOCK, Captain, Senior Ranger Captain, Austin Division CLE

FROM: BOB PRINCE, Sergeant, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: Synopses where Rangers are shown as clearing officers as reported through memos from Sgt. Prince to Chief Hacker during operation of Task Force

#8 - Victim: Armando Alvarez - Kleberg County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Casey King, however, should also include Willie Ruiz, Sergeant, Kleberg County S.O. as both King and Ruiz jointly interviewed Lucas and jointly concurred in clearance.

#10 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Elgin, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Clayton Smith, however, Bastrop County Sheriff Tommy Mosley also interviewed Lucas, along with Smith, and both jointly concurred in clearance.

Although Ranger Smith was working in his role as Task Force Coordinator, this particular offense occurred within the assigned territory for which he is responsible, therefore, he should be considered an investigating officer.

#12 - Victim: Donna Mae Inlow - Brownwood, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Norman Autrey, however, this offense was jointly investigated by Ranger Autrey and Hays Beam, Deputy Sheriff, Brown County S.O., and Lucas was interviewed by them jointly, and the clearance authority should be Texas Ranger Norman Autrey and Deputy Sheriff Hays Beam, Brown County S.O.

#24 - Victim: Deborah K. Sheppard - High Island, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Sergeant Bob Prince. This is correctly listed as the victim of this offense telephoned Sgt. Prince to describe the incident; then viewed photo of Lucas and made a positive identification. This incident is an attempted kidnapping.

#27 - Victim: Unidentified White Male - Kimble County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Clayton Smith, however, Ranger Smith only transported Lucas to Kimble County. Clearing authority should be Sheriff John Lockett.

#33 - Victim: Rodney Alan Cass - Cherokee County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger J. R. Brownlow and Cherokee County Sheriff Alan Horton. This is a correct listing as both officers participated in the investigation of the offense and the interview process, and both concur as to clearance.

#34 - Victim: Bobby Caveness - Cherokee County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger J. R. Brownlow and Cherokee County Sheriff Alan Horton. This is a correct listing as both officers participated in the investigation of the offense and the interview process, and both concur as to clearance.

#35 - Victim: Katherine Powell - Smith County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Stuart Dowell, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Dowell and Smith County Deputy Sheriff E. Liptah.

#36 - Victim: Nannette Warren - Smith County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Stuart Dowell, however, it should show Ranger Dowell and Deputy Sheriff E. Liptah as co-authorities.

#37 - Victim: Curby Reeves - Smith County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Stuart Dowell, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Dowell and Smith County Deputy Sheriff E. Liptah.

#38 - Victim: Linda Phillips - Kaufman County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Stuart Dowell, however, Kaufman County Sheriff Brockway should also be listed. Lucas has been convicted for this offense.

#39 - Victim: Lillie Pearl Darty - Harrison County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Glenn Elliott, however, should include Harrison County Sheriff Bill Oldham and Deputy Sheriff Brandon Cullom as all participated in the investigation and interview of Lucas, and all agree Lucas is responsible for offense.

#40 - Victim: Cecil Chester Mayley - Marion County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Max Womack. On 5-21-85, Sgt. Prince wrote a memo to Col. Adams describing reasons for now listing the offense as no longer cleared. See attached memo dated 5-21-85.

#46 - Victim: Marie Clark - San Saba, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Stan Guffey and San Saba County Sheriff Brantley Barker, and this listing is correct.

#50 - Victim: Robert Louis Hie - Pecos County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Joe Coleman, however, should include Pecos County Sheriff Larry Gibbs.

#57 - Victim: Stephanie Lee Smith - Polk County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Polk County Sheriff Ted Everett and Texas Ranger Tommy Walker. The clearance authority should be only Sheriff Everett as Ranger Walker only passed information to the Task Force.

#58 - Victim: Unidentified White Male - Polk County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Tommy Walker and Polk County Sheriff Ted Everett, and this listing is correct.

#62 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Live Oak County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Glen Krueger and Sheriff Larry Busby. This is incorrect, and Sheriff Busby only should be shown as the clearing authority as Ranger Krueger does not concur the offense should be cleared.

#63 - Victim: Gloria Ann Stepan - Montgomery County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Tommy Walker, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Walker and Montgomery County Sheriff Joe Corley as both transported Lucas to the crime scene and both participated in obtaining confession from Lucas.

#64 - Victim: Lura Domez - Montgomery County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Tommy Walker, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Walker and Montgomery County Sheriff Joe Corley as both transported Lucas to the crime scene and both participated in obtaining confession from Lucas. Lucas has been convicted in this offense.

#65 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Montgomery County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Tommy Walker, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Walker and Montgomery County Sheriff Joe Corley as both transported Lucas to the crime scene and both participated in obtaining confession from Lucas. Lucas has been convicted in this offense.

#66 - Victim: Deion Marie Wilkinson - Fort Bend County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Milton Wright, however, in this instance, Ranger Wright only served as relay for the information to the Task Force. Harris County officers were transporting Lucas to different homicide scenes when Lucas directed them into Fort Bend County to a site where he stated he had left a body. While at the site, Harris County S.O. contacted Fort Bend County S.O. and Deputy Ken Lee came to the scene, confirmed the offense occurring as Lucas had described and at the location he had described, therefore, Sgt. Ken Lee, Fort Bend County S.O., should be listed as the clearing authority.

#67 - Victim: Patricia Ann Jones - Liberty County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Rangers Tommy Walker and Milton Wright. Ranger Walker advised that while interviewing Lucas on another matter, Lucas described wrapping a victim in a paint dropcloth. Although the body was found in one of the counties Walker works, he was unfamiliar with this particular offense. The bulk of the investigation had been handled by Houston P.D. and Harris County S.O. as the victim had disappeared from there. Ranger Walker stated after the interview with Lucas, he contacted an officer with the Houston P.D., whose name he does not recall. The clearance authority should be Ranger Walker and Houston P.D.

#70 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Hale County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Jim Mull, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Mull and Captain Mansel Gilmer, Hale County S.O.

#76 - Victim: William Boyd Hite - Howard County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Charles R. Brune, however, the clearing authority should be Ranger Brune and Bill Shankles, Chief Deputy, Howard County S.O.

#79 - Victim: Happy Howry - Big Spring, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Charles Brune, however, should read Ranger Brune and Bill Shankles, Chief Deputy, Howard County S.O.

#84 - Victim: Freida Lorraine (Becky) Powell - Denton County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Phil Ryan, however, should be shown as Ranger Ryan and Montague County Sheriff W. A. Conway. Lucas has pled guilty to this offense.

#86 - Victim: Kate P. Rich - Montague County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Phil Ryan, however, should be listed as Ranger Ryan and Denton P.D. Detective Larry Brearly. Lucas has been tried and convicted on this offense.

#97 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Walker County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Wesley Styles. On 5-23-85, Sgt. Prince wrote a memo to Col. Adams describing reasons for now listing the offense as no longer cleared. See attached memo dated 5-23-85.

#101 and #102 - Victim: John Whatley and Faye Whatley - Bastrop County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Bastrop County Sheriff Tommy Moseley and Texas Ranger Sgt. Bob Prince. This should show Bastrop County Sheriff Tommy Moseley and Deputy Ronnie Duncan as they investigated the offense and interviewed Lucas, and they were solely responsible for the clearance. Sgt. Prince was listed because he transported Lucas to the scene and assisted in the taping of the interview while Lucas was directing officers to the location.

#106 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Comal County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Comal County S.O. and Texas Ranger Ray Martinez, however, it should be shown as Ranger Martinez only as the Comal County Deputy, Kermit Krousche, who was traveling with Ranger Martinez and Lucas in returning to the crime scene, was only along for security and was not involved in the investigation.

#117 - Victim: Unidentified White Female - Grimes County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Bill Quinn, however, should be shown as Ranger Quinn and Grimes County S.O. Deputies John LaFluer and Bill Foster as all three participated in the interview and all concur in the clearance.

#121 - Victim: Katherin Lucille Robinson - Corpus Christi, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Jim Peters, however, should be shown as joint authority of Ranger Peters, Corpus Christi P.D. Detectives Paul Riviera and Eddie Garza.

#136 - Victim: Dianna Lynn Bryant - Brownfield, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Jackie Peoples, however, should be Ranger Peoples and Brownfield P.D. Chief J. T. Churchwell as both interviewed Lucas and both believe he is responsible for homicide. Lucas later pled guilty to this offense.

#139 - Victim: Glenna Bailley Biggers - Hale County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Captain Mansel Gilmer, Hale County S.O. This listing is correct, however, should include Texas Ranger Jim Mull.

#148 - Victim: Estella Montoya - Corpus Christi, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Jim Peters, however should be shown as Ranger Peters, and Corpus Christi P.D. Detectives Paul Riviera and Eddie Garza.

#199 - Victim: Francisca Rodriguez - Brownsville, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Cameron County District Attorney Investigator Joe Garza and Texas Ranger Bruce Casteel. This is correct.

#155 - Victim: Suzanne Bowers - Galveston, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Joe Haralson, and this is correct.

#210 - Victim: Marcy Gillen - Pensacola, Florida

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Clayton Smith, however, both Ranger Smith and Ranger Glen Krueger interviewed the victim, who positively identified Lucas, therefore, both Rangers should share clearing authority.

#215 - Victim: Bobbie Lee Barker - Bexar County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Bob Steele and Bexar County Investigator Bill White, and Dalton N. Baker, however, Ranger Steele only helped provide security in returning Lucas to the crime scene and he did not participate

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in the interview or investigation, therefore, clearance authority should be Bexar County S.O. Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker.

#216 - Victim: Kathryn O'Connor - Bexar County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Bob Steele and Bexar County Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker, however, Ranger Steele only helped provide security in returning Lucas to the crime scene and he did not participate in the interview or investigation, therefore, clearance authority should be Bexar County S.O. Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker.

#217 - Victim: Elsa Gonzales - Bexar County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Bob Steele and Bexar County Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker, however, Ranger Steele only helped provide security in returning Lucas to the crime scene and he did not participate in the interview or investigation, therefore, clearance authority should be Bexar County S.O. Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker.

#218 - Victim: Linda Hopwood - Bexar County, Texas

Clearance authority is shown to be Texas Ranger Bob Steele and Bexar County Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker, however, Ranger Steele only helped provide security in returning Lucas to the crime scene and he did not participate in the interview or investigation, therefore, clearance authority should be Bexar County S.O. Investigators Bill White and Dalton N. Baker.



BOB PRINCE, Sergeant,
Texas Ranger, Co. "F"
Waco, Texas

BP:am

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

111-9

Date 05-21-85

TO: Colonel James B. Adams, Director

Division CLE

FROM: Bob Prince, Sergeant, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: Previous Confirmed Case Changed to Unconfirmed
Cecil Manley - Victim
Marion County
Date: 1-18-79
Synopsis No. 40

On 01-20-84, Henry Lucas was transported to different crime scene locations in east Texas by Rangers Stuart Dowell and Glenn Elliott.

Ranger Max Womack, who works Marion County, was off duty on the date Lucas was in the area.

When Rangers drove through Marion County, Lucas pointed out a convenience store where he stated he had killed the attendant.

Lucas was correct in numerous details as to the changes which had been made in the convenience store and how the offense occurred. The one detail Lucas was not correct in was the fact the victim was a white male and he stated it was a black male.


After Ranger Dowell conferred with Ranger Womack, it was believed Womack was calling the offense a confirmed offense in which Lucas was involved, therefore, this information was given to the Task Force and has been called a confirmed offense in Task Force records since 01-20-84.

In April, 1985, when each Ranger was asked to fill out a questionnaire concerning each offense Lucas had been interviewed on and list the cases as confirmed, unconfirmed, or unfounded, Ranger Womack returned the questionnaire concerning Cecil Manley as unconfirmed.

Writer then personally contacted Ranger Womack who stated that even though all of the details were correct concerning the offense with the exception of the race of the victim, that left enough uncertainty that they wished to consider the case as unconfirmed.

This matter had been a breakdown in communication between Ranger Womack and the Task Force, causing the Task Force records to call the offense confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,


Bob Prince, Sergeant
Texas Rangers, Co. "F"
Waco, Texas

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

11-1-85

Date 05-23-85

TO: Colonel James B. Adams, Director

Division CLE

FROM: Bob Prince, Sergeant, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: Previous Confirmed Case Changed to Unconfirmed
Unidentified White Female - Victim
Walker County
Date: 11-1-80
Synopsis No. 97

Shortly after the Task Force was organized, Henry Lucas told Task Force members of a white female he had killed and left at a roadside park on I-45 near Buffalo, Texas.

Ranger Connell was contacted and he advised he had had several homicides which had occurred along I-45, and it was unknown if any of these matched the one Lucas was describing.

Lucas was then transported to Leon County by Ranger Clayton Smith and Williamson County Sheriff Jim Boutwell to meet with Ranger Connell. Lucas attempted to find the location he was talking about, however, was unable to locate the roadside park where he had left the body.

Investigating officers at that time were unaware of an offense which had occurred in Walker County where a body had been found at a roadside park.

In December, 1983, Walker County Deputies traveled to Georgetown, Texas to interview suspect Henry Lucas. The interview was conducted on Saturday when Task Force members were not at the jail facilities.

Writer contacted Walker County officials by telephone shortly thereafter and the investigator who had interviewed Lucas stated they were satisfied Lucas was involved in the homicide. Writer asked the Walker County Deputy to send a synopsis of the offense for the Task Force records. The synopsis was not forthcoming and the Deputy was contacted on at least two other occasions and requested to furnish this information. Each time he stated he would send it, however, it was never sent.

Ranger Wesley Styles, who is assigned to Walker County, was then requested to obtain the information for writer, and it was then forwarded to the Task Force and the Task Force records have since indicated confirmation of Lucas being involved in the offense.

In April, 1985, when each Ranger was asked to fill out a questionnaire concerning each offense on which Lucas had been interviewed and list the offenses as confirmed, unconfirmed, or unfounded, Ranger Styles returned the questionnaire concerning the unidentified white female as unconfirmed.

When Walker County S.O. was contacted by Ranger Styles, they stated they did not wish to show this as a confirmed offense. Captain Dan North attempted to contact the Walker County S.O., however, the Chief Deputy refused to return his telephone calls.

It should be noted very poor working relationships exist with the Walker County S.O., and they have exhibited no cooperation in this or other matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Prince
BOB PRINCE, Sergeant
Texas Rangers, Co. "F"
Waco, Texas

BP:am



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INVESTIGATION

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Comments: Lucas resided at Benjamin's Trailer Park in Fort Deposit, MD, for entire month, per rent records and Crawford interview.

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#204
Clemmie Curtis
W/F/50
Cabell County, WV
Police Officer found handcuffed and shot once with his own service revolver.
Vehicle: Patrol car.
Accomplice: Ottis Toole.

Lucas paid rent at Benjamin's Trailer Park in Port Deposit, MD, per Benjamin's Trailer Park rent records on file. Benjamin's Trailer Park records (Exhibit G).

D.P.S. RESPONSE #18

COMMENTS:

Location information developed by Attorney General's office shows a possible conflict.

CONFLICT:

Detective Bevins of the Huntington, West Virginia P.D. stated he interviewed Mr. Benjamin at Benjamin Trailer Park. Mr. Benjamin stated that he had a receipt book showing Lucas paid rent in 1975 and 1976; however, there was no notation as to who would have paid the rent. Bevins further stated that someone from Dallas had come and picked up that page from his receipt book concerning these transactions and did not return same; therefore, no documentation could be viewed by West Virginia officers.

ATTACHMENTS:

18A Task Force Synopsis

18B Letter from independent observer

18C Memo written by Sgt. Prince on 5-2-85 regarding follow-up investigation by West Virginia officers

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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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Date

TO: Colonel James B. Adams, Director

Division

FROM: Bob Prince, Sergeant, Texas Rangers, Co. "F", Waco

SUBJECT: VICTIM : CLEMMIE E. CURTIS, w/m, 30
Location: Huntington, West Virginia
Date : 08-03-76

On 08-03-76, an on-duty police officer, Clemmie Curtis, went to a local drive-in restaurant and ordered a hamburger, french fries, and a soft drink "to go" some time between 2:00 and 2:30 P.M. The victim was driving an unmarked police unit, however, the victim was in uniform. At approximately 5:45 P.M., the victim was found deceased lying on his back, handcuffed with his weapon lying between his legs. The victim was found on a lover's lane approximate one-fourth mile north of Interstate 64. The victim had been shot one time in the chest area in a slightly upward angle, the exit wound being on his back. The angle of the exit wound was 1" higher than the entry wound. Found near the body was a clipboard with a handprinted note written across a blank accident report which was directed to the officer's wife, the bulk of which was a personal note, however, in the contents of the note he wrote, "I think he's going to kill me."

The investigation at the time of the offense ruled the death a suicide, thinking that the motive might possibly be money problems and that he had staged his own death to make it look like a suicide so that he might financially take care of his wife and daughters. At the time of the death, the victim was over-insured according to his salary range. A subsequent investigation in 1982 ended with the same suicide ruling.

In August of 1984, Texas officers (Ranger Sgt. Bob Prince and Williamson County Sheriff Jim Boutwell) were informed by Lucas that he had killed several police officers. When pressed for details, he stated that he would have to think about them and talk about it later. Sgt. Prince then advised Lucas that at any time he thought of an instance where an officer was involved to relate the details and they would follow them up with the information.

In October of 1984, Lucas stated to Sgt. Prince that he recalled two officers that he had killed, one being in Kentucky and one being in West Virginia. Ranger Clayton Smith and Sgt. Bob Prince interviewed Lucas and the following information was learned. Lucas stated reference the Kentucky officer that the officer had been handcuffed and shot with his own weapon. Reference the West Virginia officer, Lucas stated this incident occurred on a lover's lane just off of I-64 in 1975 or 1976, and that he had shot the West Virginia officer.

The Kentucky officers were immediately contacted and they advised that they did not have an incident where an officer had been handcuffed and shot with his own

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weapon. West Virginia State Police were then contacted and asked if they were aware of any incident of an officer shot on a lover's lane along I-64 in 1975 or 1976. The information was taken by a West Virginia State Policeman who contacted all agencies along I-64. Detective Tom Bevins of Huntington Police Department received the inquiry information and realized it closely resembled the incident involving Clemmie Curtis.

Det. Bevins telephoned Sgt. Prince and stated the information as described by Lucas closely resembled the incident involving Curtis and at that time, Sgt. Prince advised Det. Bevins that he had been told of another incident in Kentucky (Huntington, West Virginia was 12 miles from the Kentucky state line). It was then determined if the incidents Lucas had previously related had been combined, it would have matched completely the Clemmie Curtis incident.

On 11-1-84, Bevins, Joe Dotson, Corp. West Virginia State Police, and Mike Clark, Deputy, Cabell County Sheriff's Department, interviewed Lucas in Georgetown, Texas. During the interview with the officers, Lucas picked the victim's photograph out of a photo spread of eight pictures, correctly drew a diagram including a map of the area surrounding the crime scene, and correctly stated the officer was in uniform, however, he was driving a plain unmarked vehicle. Lucas, however, was wrong as to the color of the vehicle, and described the officer's weapon as being a .38 or .357 stainless steel, and the weapon was in fact a stainless steel model. He also correctly stated that food and drink were in the car. Lucas was wrong in the number of times he stated he shot the victim, stating he shot four or five times, when the officer was in fact shot only once, and Lucas did not give any information concerning the handcuffs.

On 11-27-84, the same officers from West Virginia interviewed Ottis Toole in the Florida State Penitentiary at Starke, Florida. He was shown the same eight photo picture spread and correctly picked out the photograph of Officer Curtis. He was shown a rough diagram of the scene and correctly placed an X showing where the body had been left. He also correctly related that the driver's door had been left open.

A request was made through channels to transport Lucas to West Virginia to determine if further confirmation could be made as to Lucas being involved in the homicide. Prior to Lucas being transported to West Virginia, Sgt. Prince requested that West Virginia authorities video tape, along with an audio recording, the period of time when Lucas would be attempting to lead officers to the crime scene. Sgt. Prince also requested that a neutral observer be permitted to observe the entire interview and return to the crime scene process. This request was made in anticipation of controversy which would follow the clearing of the case since this incident had previously been ruled a suicide.

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On 12-11-84, Lucas was transported to Huntington, West Virginia where numerous West Virginia officers accompanied Lucas while he was locating the crime scene, and a video and audio recording was made, beginning several miles before entering the Huntington, West Virginia city limits. A civilian observer, Vernon Doake, was also in the van and remained in a location where he could observe and hear all the conversations between Lucas and officers.

Officers worked with Lucas for a short time during the afternoon of 12-11-84, and Lucas could not immediately find the scene. When he appeared to become very frustrated, it was decided to place Lucas in jail with no further interviews and to begin the same process on the morning of 12-12-84.


During the morning of 12-12-84, Lucas did direct officers to the scene and walked to the exact spot where the victim's body had been found. Lucas stated at that time that he and Toole were parked in the lover's lane in an isolated area and had a large number of burglarized items in their vehicle. Lucas stated that Officer Curtis drove up to them at that location, and asked for their identification and placed them under arrest for being intoxicated. Curtis then returned to his patrol car to use the radio, reached inside, then Lucas and Toole grabbed the officer, falling on top of him in the front seat and took his weapon. He stated he told the officer that he was going to have to kill him as he did not want to be arrested and identified. He stated the officer advised that he had a wife and two children, at which time Lucas or Curtis (Lucas is unsure) brought up that a note should be written and that Curtis did write a note to his wife. Also, Lucas stated that when he shot the officer, he was shot in the chest and the bullet would have traveled in an upward direction. When Lucas was returned to the scene, he then recalled that Curtis was handcuffed and shot one time with his weapon, even though during the Texas interview he thought that the handcuffing of this officer and the officer being shot with his own weapon one time had occurred in Kentucky.

On 1-16-85, the Grand Jury in Cabell County, West Virginia indicted Lucas and Toole for murder in the first degree of Clemmie Curtis.

On 1-22-85, Lucas was returned to Huntington, West Virginia where he pled guilty to the offense of first degree murder and received a life sentence without parole.

Offense confirmed by Det. Tom Bevins, Huntington Police Department, Joe Dotson, Corp. West Virginia State Police, and Mike Clark, Deputy, Cabell County, West Virginia, Sheriff's Department.

Respectfully submitted,


BOB PRINCE, Sergeant
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Waco, Texas

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Attachment: Letter received from civilian observer, Vernon Doak.



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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

On December 10, 1984 I was asked by Captain Jim Hunter of the Huntington, West Virginia Police Department to accompany a group of police officers to drive in from Milton, West Virginia a midway point from the Charleston, West Virginia airport with Henry Lucas. The purpose of this trip was to ascertain whether or not Mr. Lucas had in fact been to Huntington in 1976 and murdered a Huntington Police Officer.

I was invited to go as a neutral observer, which I assumed meant to be sure that Mr. Lucas was not coached on any facet of the crime. I rode to Milton with Capt. Hunter where we met the van carrying Mr. Lucas. I got in the van with Mr. Lucas, Trooper Dotson of the West Virginia State Police, Sgt. Bob Prince of the Texas Rangers, Mr. Boutwell the Williamson County Texas Sheriff, Mr. Tom Bevins of the Huntington Police Department, Mr. Mike Clark a Cabell County Deputy Sheriff, Mr. John Cummings the Cabell County Prosecuting Attorney, Mr. Larry Stephens a Cabell County Deputy Sheriff and one other representative of the West Virginia State Police.

We spent approximately three (3) hours driving Mr. Lucas into town and driving around at Mr. Lucas direction. He seemed to know what he was looking for and acted as though he wanted to be very sure of the proper location at each step of the trip. He was driven around strictly at his direction. At no time was he coached or given any hints or coercion either verbally or visually while I was present. By 5:00 PM it was starting to get dark and we decided to call it a day. At this time Mr. Lucas had directed us to 16th Street and Washington Boulevard and he seemed sure that this was the way that he had come into town. We then drove Mr. Lucas to the Cabell County jail where he was kept for the night.

The next day I was picked up at approximately 8:45 AM by Capt. Hunter and driven to the West Virginia State Police headquarters on U. S. Route 60 East. Mr. Lucas was brought to the same location where we waited for about thirty minutes for Mr. John Cummings to arrive. We then loaded in the van and began by going to Interstate 64 and tracing the route that Mr. Lucas wanted to go into town. Mr. Lucas gave the directions and he was driven

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wherever he said. Several times he was driven to a point which he knew was wrong and we would turn around and go again at his direction. I noticed that the officers involved made a special effort not to say anything that might be a hint. They made absolutely no comments or visual expression that might be a clue for Mr. Lucas while I was present. Mr. Lucas found the spot that he was looking for about two (2) hours after we started out. Once he found the spot he repeated the story of the murder. I am totally convinced that he knew exactly what he was talking about and that he could not have known had he not been there.

I took the opportunity seriously and was especially watchful that this was conducted as I felt it should have been. I am one hundred percent convinced that no improprieties occurred during my presence and that the officers involved acted in a very professional manner.

Yours truly,

Vernon Doak

Vernon Doak, Vice-President and General Manager
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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

11Q-9

Date 05-02-85

TO: Colonel James B. Adams, Director

Division Rangers

FROM: Bobby G. Prince, Sergeant, Company "F", Waco

SUBJECT: Information Received from Huntington, West Virginia Law
Enforcement Officers

During the week of 05-02-85, Huntington, West Virginia Police Department Detective Tom Bevins and other West Virginia officers traveled to Cecil County, Maryland, to interview relatives of Henry Lucas.

The purpose of their interview was to ascertain if Lucas could be documented at any of the alibi locations during the date of the homicide which occurred when Clemmie Curtis, Police Officer, Huntington, West Virginia, was killed. Date of this homicide was 08-03-76.

On 05-02-85, Detective Bevins telephoned writer and gave the following information:

- (1) Interview had been conducted with Mrs. Darrell (Aomia) Pierce, niece of Henry Lucas. Mrs. Pierce stated that on 06-24-76, she conducted a real estate transaction and that Lucas was with her at same; however, there was no documentation supporting her claim.
- (2) Mrs. Pierce further stated on 07-14-76, she had purchased a camping trailer lot #C-2 at the Benjamin Trailer Park in Port Deposit, Maryland. Mrs. Pierce stated that she remembered Lucas being along at this transaction; however, there were no records to indicate and confirm same.
- (3) Mrs. Pierce stated on 08-05-76, she went on a shopping trip to Oxford, Pennsylvania, and has a cancelled check for \$26.40 made out to Wiborn Hosery. This check is signed by Mrs. Pierce. Mrs. Pierce also stated that Lucas was with her on this shopping trip; however, there was no documentation that would support this.
- (4) Mrs. Pierce stated that on 09-03-76, she has a receipt for getting a flat fixed and stated that Lucas was with her on this occasion. This is believed to be in Port Deposit, Maryland, also. There was no documentation, however, that would show Lucas at the location.

Detective Bevins stated he interviewed Mr. Benjamin at Benjamin Trailer Park. Mr. Benjamin stated that he had a receipt book showing Lucas paid rent in 1975 and 1976; however, there was no notation as to who would have paid the rent. Bevins further stated that someone from Dallas had come and picked up that page from his receipt book concerning these transactions and did not return same; therefore no documentation could be viewed by West Virginia officers.

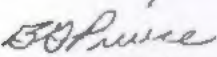
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Betty Crawford, ex-wife of Lucas stated that during the period of time she was married to Lucas from 1975 to 1977, that Lucas did not work but on numerous occasions did sexually molest her children. Mrs. Crawford does not have recollection of any extended periods of time that Lucas was gone during their marriage.

Detective Bevins stated that he would forward his report concerning this matter to writer as soon as the report was completed.

Detective Bevins also stated that he would forward to the writer the memorandum which was sent to the different law enforcement agencies in West Virginia by West Virginia State Police as a result of writer's notifying West Virginia State Police of Lucas' original claim of killing a police officer in West Virginia in 1975 or 1976.

Respectfully submitted,


Bobby G. Prince
Sergeant, Texas Rangers
Company "F", Waco

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